



Asquith Girls High School Technology Charter & Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) User Agreement 2022

Asquith Girls High School aims to improve student-learning experiences both in and out of the classroom through the use of technology. Asquith Girls High School provides considerable freedom to students in their choice of technology and in their use of technology in the classroom. The school does so with the expectation that they will make good decisions with regard to their personal use of technology.

The *Technology Charter* below must be agreed to and signed before students can have access to school technology facilities.

The *BYOD User Agreement* over the page must be agreed to and signed before students are permitted to bring their device to school and connect it to the school network.

Students and parents/caregivers must carefully read these agreements prior to signing them. Any questions should be addressed to the school and clarification obtained before each agreement is signed.

Asquith Girls High School Technology Charter

I understand that the use of computing and communication devices for the duration of enrolment at Asquith Girls High School must be in accordance with the NSW Department of Education acceptable usage policies, including but not limited to the policies specified in this document. I understand that any breach of this agreement may result in immediate loss of access to technology at school and further disciplinary action.

Student Name _____ Year _____

Signature _____ Date ____/____/____

Parent/Caregiver Name _____

Signature _____ Date ____/____/____

PLEASE COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS PAGE

PLEASE TURN OVER PAGE TO COMPLETE AND SIGN THE BYOD USER AGREEMENT

Bring Your Own Device User Agreement

- i. We have read the Bring Your Own Device Policy.
- ii. We have read the Online Communication Services: Acceptable Usage for School Students (Extracts)
- iii. We understand our responsibilities regarding the use of the device and the internet.
- iv. In signing below, we understand and agree to the Bring Your Own Device Policy and Online Communication Services: Acceptable Usage for School Students (Extracts).
- v. We understand that failure to comply with the Bring Your Own Device User Agreement will invoke the school's standard discipline procedures and/or the actions outlined in clause (5).

| | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| Device name/model: (If Applicable) | Eg. Lenovo ThinkPad X131e (33722VU) |
| Device serial no: | Eg. C02LLY06DF65 |

Student Signature: _____

Date: / /

Parent/Caregiver Signature: _____

Date: / /

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND SIGN THIS PAGE, THEN
RETURN PAGE TO THE SCHOOL**

Bring Your Own Device Agreement

1 Purpose

Asquith Girls High School Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy gives freedom to students and their families to tailor their choice of technology to their own educational needs. Asquith Girls High School will facilitate this in accordance with the BYOD Policy. However, students and parents/caregivers must be aware of and consent to the program's boundaries.

2 Scope and Definitions

2.1 Parties

This agreement is between Asquith Girls High School, a student currently attending or who will be attending Asquith Girls High School, and her parent or caregiver.

2.2 "Student" and "Students"

Reference in this agreement to Student or Students means a student currently attending or who will be attending Asquith Girls High School and binds her parent or caregiver.

2.3 "Bring Your Own Device User Agreement"

This agreement may be referred to as the Bring Your Own Device User Agreement or BYOD User Agreement.

2.4 "Device"

Reference in this agreement to Device means an electronic device brought by a student to Asquith Girls High School pursuant to the school's Bring Your Own Device program and this BYOD User Agreement.

2.5 "E-Learning Account"

Reference in this agreement to E-Learning Account refers to students' DoE account used to log on to the DoE portal and related online accounts.

3 Equipment

3.1 Custodianship

The device brought to school pursuant to this policy must be able to be brought on every school day and be solely the student's to use throughout the school day.

3.2 Choice of equipment

The device must meet all the requirements of the Device Specification. This includes meeting any required physical device characteristics and the having the *listed software installed*. The Device Specification is a separate document available from Asquith Girls High School.

3.3 Damage or loss of equipment

3.3.1 Students bring their own device for use at Asquith Girls High School at their own risk.

3.3.2 For the removal of any doubt, Asquith Girls High School will not be responsible for any loss, theft or damage to:

(a) the device

(b) data stored on the device

while the device is at school or during a school-related activity, absolutely, in negligence or otherwise.

3.3.3 Parents and students should consider whether their device requires **insurance and whether specific accidental loss and breakage insurance** is appropriate for the device.

3.3.4 In circumstances where a device is damaged by abuse or malicious act of another student ("the other student"), reimbursement may be required. The Principal will, having regard to all the circumstances of the matter, determine whether the other student is responsible for the damage to the device and whether costs incurred in the repair of the device should be borne by the other student.

3.3.5 The above clause does not bind students to the determination of the Principal.

3.3.6 Students cannot bring power chargers to school with their device. Liability for damage or loss of peripheral equipment will in all circumstances be borne by the student.

4 Standards for equipment care

Students are responsible for:

- (a) Taking due care of the device in accordance with school guidelines.
- (b) Adhering to the Department of Education and Communities' policy *Online Communication Services: Acceptable Usage for School Students* (PD/2002/0046/V04).
- (c) Backing up all data securely. All electronic data and resources used for school coursework must be stored on another device or electronic medium accessible on demand. Students must not rely on the continued integrity of data on their device.

5 Misuse of equipment and communication systems

5.1 Standard school discipline procedures apply for misuse of the device contrary to this BYOD User Agreement or other school rules.

5.2 Examples of action the school may take in cases of misuse include:

- (a) the device is taken away by a teacher for the remainder of the lesson
- (b) the device is taken away by a Head Teacher or Deputy Principal for the remainder of the school day and/or until a parent or caregiver picks up the device
- (c) permission for the student to bring their device to school pursuant to the Bring Your Own Device policy is revoked
- (d) conventional discipline procedures including detention or suspension where deemed appropriate pursuant to the school's discipline procedures.

6 Acceptable equipment and communication system use

6.1 Use of the device during the school day is at the discretion of teachers and staff. Students must use their device as directed by their teacher.

6.2 The primary purpose of the device at school is educational.

6.3 Students must bring their device to school fully charged.

6.4 Students should avoid bringing peripheral device equipment to school with the device. Peripheral equipment includes:

- (a) docking cradles, with the exception of a docking cradle that includes a keyboard integrated into the peripheral
- (b) external pointing devices, such as computer mouse
- (c) adapters for the connection of video output or data transfer

6.5 Students are to connect their device to the designated Department of Education wireless network only. Students are NOT to connect their device to other wired, wireless or cellular networks whilst at school.

6.6 Students are NOT to create, participate in, or circulate content that attempts to undermine, hack into and/or bypass the hardware and software security mechanisms that are in place.

6.7 Upon enrolment into a New South Wales Government school, parental/caregiver permission was sought to allow the student to access the Internet at school based on the Department of Education policy *Online Communication Services: Acceptable Usage for School Students* (PD/2002/0046/V04). Extracts are provided below. This policy forms part of this Bring Your Own Device User Agreement.

6.8 The policy *Online Communication Services: Acceptable Usage for School Students* (PD/2002/0046/V04) applies to the use of the device and internet on the device:

- (a) at school
- (b) where in connection with a school-related activity, school-related program, including coursework, outside school.

Note: The complete *Online Communication Services: Acceptable Usage for School Students* (PD/2002/0046/V04) policy is available for viewing

at: https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/general_man/general/accep_use/PD20020_046.shtml

Department of Education *Online Communication Services: Acceptable Usage for School Students (Extracts)*

4.1 Access and Security

4.1.1 Students will:

- not disable settings for virus protection, spam and filtering that have been applied as a departmental standard.
- ensure that communication through internet and online communication services is related to learning.
- keep passwords confidential, and change them when prompted, or when known by another user.
- use passwords that are not obvious or easily guessed.
- never allow others to use their personal e-learning account.
- log off at the end of each session to ensure that nobody else can use their e-learning account.
- promptly tell their supervising teacher if they suspect they have received a computer virus or spam (i.e. unsolicited email) or if they receive a message that is inappropriate or makes them feel uncomfortable.
- seek advice if another user seeks excessive personal information, asks to be telephoned, offers gifts by email or wants to meet a student.
- never knowingly initiate or forward emails or other messages containing:
 - a message that was sent to them in confidence
 - a computer virus or attachment that is capable of damaging recipients' computer
 - chain letters and hoax emails
 - spam e.g., unsolicited advertising material.
- never send or publish:
 - unacceptable or unlawful material or remarks, including offensive, abusive or discriminatory comments, threatening, bullying or harassing another person or making excessive or unreasonable demands upon another person.
 - sexually explicit or sexually suggestive material or correspondence, false or defamatory information about a person or organisation.
- ensure that personal use is kept to a minimum and internet and online communication services are generally used for genuine curriculum and educational activities. Use of unauthorised programs and intentionally downloading unauthorised software, graphics or music that is not associated with learning, is not permitted.
- never damage or disable computers, computer systems or networks of the NSW Department of Education.
- ensure that services are not used for unauthorised commercial activities, political lobbying, online gambling or any unlawful purpose.
- be aware that all use of internet and online communication services can be audited and traced to the e- learning accounts of specific users.

4.2 Privacy and Confidentiality

4.2.1 Students will:

- never publish or disclose the email address of a staff member or student without that person's explicit permission.
- not reveal personal information including names, addresses, photographs, credit card details and telephone numbers of themselves or others.
- ensure privacy and confidentiality is maintained by not disclosing or using any information in a way that is contrary to any individual's interests.

4.3 Intellectual Property and Copyright

4.3.1 Students will:

- never plagiarise information and will observe appropriate copyright clearance, including acknowledging the author or source of any information used.
- ensure that permission is gained before electronically publishing users' works or drawings. Always acknowledge the creator or author of any material published.
- ensure any material published on the internet or intranet has the approval of the principal or their delegate and has appropriate copyright clearance.

4.4 Misuse and Breaches of Acceptable Usage

4.4.1 Students will be aware that:

- they are held responsible for their actions while using internet and online communication services.
- they are held responsible for any breaches caused by them allowing any other person to use their e- learning account to access internet and online communication services.
- the misuse of internet and online communication services may result in disciplinary action which includes, but is not limited to, the withdrawal of access to services.

5. Monitoring, evaluation and reporting requirements

5.1 Students will report:

- any internet site accessed that is considered inappropriate.
- any suspected technical security breach involving users from other schools, TAFEs, or from outside the NSW Department of Education.

Related documents include but not limited to the following list of Department of Education publications:

- **DEC school policies and procedures related to technology, devices and the internet**
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policy-groups/technology,-devices-and-the-internet?refid=285789>
- **Use of the internet and online communication services: acceptable usage for school students PD/2002/0046/V04**
Outlines appropriate and acceptable student use of internet and online communication services provided by the department.
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/online-communication-services-acceptable-usage-for-school-students>