



The Port Augusta Secondary School Governing Council have endorsed the following initiative to take effect from the commencement of 2020. This initiative will ensure all students will have access to appropriate technology, supporting their learning and increasing opportunities for successful educational outcomes.

YEAR 11 & 12 STUDENTS

From term 1, 2020, all year 11 and 12 students will require their own device. Families of year 11 and 12 students can choose from option 1, 2 or 3 as detailed below.

YEAR 8 TO 10 STUDENTS

We encourage families to take up option 1 or 2 detailed below, however the current method of the class teacher booking a school owned device for those students without a BYOD will continue to apply.

OPTIONS

<p style="text-align: center;">OPTION 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bring your own device (BYOD) from home.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPTION 2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Purchase a new device through the recommended BYOD option (see below).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OPTION 3 – year 11 and 12 students only</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pay a non-refundable \$120 hire fee per school calendar year, for a second-hand school device enabling 24 hour 7 days per week access. An agreement form must be completed, prior to hiring a device. Devices are to be returned by the end of week 8 term 4.</p>
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NOTE: Office 365 is available for free to students – instructions to access are on the school website, click on BYOD.

Equity scheme - year 11 and 12 students only

Options are available in cases of financial hardship. The comparative quality and performance of the device supplied may vary as they will be sourced from our school owned devices. Please make an appointment with the Wellbeing Leader to apply.

Families may also be eligible for Australian Government supported no interest loan scheme (NILS).

For information go to <https://nils.com.au/> - type 'Port Augusta' into 'find your nearest provider'.

BYOD OPTION

Students across all year levels have the option to BYOD, either by:

Option 1 - using a device already available from home, or

Option 2 - purchasing through the parent portals available on our website <http://pass.sa.edu.au/> or from a retail outlet of your choice, ensuring minimum specifications as detailed below are met.

2020 to 2022 – financial support

All families choosing option 1 or 2 will be supported by Governing Council with a \$50 per semester (\$100 per year) credit which can be utilised for payment of school fees, uniforms or excursions. This offer is available for a 3 year period from 2020 to 2022. Therefore if you opt for BYOD from 2020 to 2022, you will be entitled to a total \$300 credit to be spent at the school. Credits will be issued at the beginning of term 2 and end of term 3. BYOD agreement forms will need to be completed through the Resource Technology Centre (RTC).

To be eligible for the \$100 per year credit, devices must be used at school and have the capacity to run on the school's network. Recommended minimum specifications are:

Specifications	Year 8 to 10	Year 11 to 12
Processor	Intel Pentium N5000	Core i5
Memory	4GB	8GB
Storage (hard disk)	128GB	128GB
Battery	up to 12 hours	up to 12 hours
Screen*	11.6"	13.3"
Operating system	Windows 10	Windows 10

**anti-glare screen is recommended*