

Kapunda High School Student Laptop

Requirements and Recommendations



When starting KHS, all students are expected to have a device for school use. This is to ensure all students have equal opportunity to develop ICT capabilities and digital literacies. These skills are embedded throughout the Australian Curriculum and are important to success in our modern world. The following options are available to parents.

Option 1: Purchase a device via our recommended device portal



To help parents/caregivers with choosing a device that they can be confident will meet student needs, KHS has formed a partnership with online store LWT (Learning with Technologies) to provide a secure device purchasing portal. The school has chosen to recommend quality laptops for our families and we receive no commission on these. Our interest is only in providing an easy way for families to purchase suitable devices for school use.

The advantages of purchasing through the BYOD recommended device portal:

- Devices are 'educational standard' which means that you can be assured that they have the necessary battery life, storage capacity, screen size and 'sturdiness' for the rigours of school life.
- A three year warranty is **included** in the price with service organised directly through Kapunda High School.
- Options to purchase additional warranty covering accidental drops or spills.
- KHS is the service point for any issues. Devices repairs are organised onsite via the IT Help Desk.

Links to the Learning with Technologies portal and information is available at: https://kapundahs.sa.edu.au/byod/

Option 2: Purchase a device from a preferred retailer or online store meeting minimum requirements

User preferred brands and devices can certainly be purchased from other retailers or online stores. If choosing this option please ensure you have considered warranty, insurance and support options. Some families have had difficulties returning devices to stores or having to send away for repair.

Recommended & Minimum requirements if purchasing other retail devices

- Storage: Highly recommend 256 GB SSD Hard drive minimum 128GB SSD Hard drive.
- RAM: Highly recommend 8GB.
- Battery life: 6 8 hours or more to last the whole school day.
- Screen size: minimum 11 inches. Recommend 13 inch +. Recommend FHD (1920 x 1080) Screen resolution.
- Highly recommend: Windows Laptops (MacBooks are supported).
- Unsuitable: Android, Chromebook and IOS tablets will not support all required applications for all subjects.
- **Processing power**: Higher i5 or i7 processors give better performance and should be considered to ensure that all programs may be used successfully, most new laptops will have adequate processing power.
- Warranty & Insurance: Recommend 3 years. Please consider household or device insurance.

No software required (Student software supplied by the school)

Option 3: Hire a device, for families experiencing financial hardship

A limited number of second hand devices will be available for long-term hire from the school. Our Governing Council has developed criteria for allocation, which will consider financial hardship and other aspects. Families can apply for one of these devices via the forms on our website in Term 4 each year.

Option 4: Laptops for School Card families

Beginning in 2025 approved school card students may be supplied a laptop in year 7. Application required. Survey and application may be sent to families of enrolled students during Term 4.

For more information about any of the available options or if you have further questions, please speak to our friendly IT Support Team or visit https://kapundahs.sa.edu.au/byod/
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