



St. Joseph School

BYOD FAQs

1. What types of devices may my child bring to school?

Students may use devices that fall into the following categories: fully-functioning laptops, and Windows tablets.

2. What are the requirements for incoming 6th Grade and new students?

A Microsoft Surface Pro 3 **OR** Microsoft Surface 3 **OR** a fully-functional laptop with Windows OS, an attached keyboard and separate carrying case. *If selecting a laptop, be sure that the device can connect to an enterprise-based wireless network.*

3. Can my child use an iPad or Android device?

No. These are not compatible with our systems.

4. What software will be needed on my child's computer?

Windows OS is required, as well as the Microsoft Office Suite. Students also need Internet Explorer or Edge installed as their primary search engine.

5. How can my child's device connect to the Internet?

St. Joseph School provides a secure wireless network, which students must use while at school. Internet access will run through a proxy filtering device. Students must use Internet Explorer or Edge as their default browser.

6. Who is responsible for damage or theft?

The families are ultimately responsible for their child's device. While we recommend insuring devices, this choice is at the discretion of individual families.

7. Will my student be able to email?

With their school account, students will only be able to email within the SJS network. This means that they can email teachers or fellow classmates about collaborative projects.

8. Are there accessories needed? Yes. A separate padded bag or computer sleeve is required, as students travel with devices between classes. Devices must be in the case when on the move; charged and ready for class; secured on their person or in their cubby. Devices, chargers and cases should be labeled with the student's name.

9. What are students' daily expectations?

Students are required to come to school with a fully charged device. There will not be charging stations regularly available; students should speak with teachers in the event that a full charge runs out. Technology infractions will be issued for repeated offences.

10. Is there an agreement the student and family need to sign?

Yes. In order for SJS to supervise the use of the network, students must read the Responsible Use Policy in September and sign the associated agreement form. This is required prior to using a device at school.

11. When can my child use his or her device at school?

Students may use devices in class as instructed by teachers. Devices are to be used for educational purposes.

12. Where will my child's work be stored?

Students will have accounts on *Microsoft Office 365*, a cloud-based platform, which will allow them to access their work from any device, anywhere, with internet access.

13. Will my child be able to print work from their device?

Printing at school will not be available.