

The Potomac School
Upper School BYOD Policy and Agreement
For Grade 9 Students 2018-19

Overview of Policy

The Upper School Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy is designed to set a framework for consistent, responsible, and ethical use of technology. The policy outlines the requirements for each student to provide his/her own device and use it in an acceptable manner that supports learning. Students are expected to bring their devices to school each day to engage in research, collaborative writing, organization, and software-specific applications that promote design and problem solving, as well as general classroom learning. Any and all access through the wireless network may be monitored and/or recorded for the purposes of network security and student safety. Students will have access to networked printers and multifunction copiers through Mobility Print.

Specifications of Device

In reviewing curricular requirements in the Upper School, we have arrived at the following **minimum** specifications, which were developed to ensure that student devices are capable of fully supporting the academic program:

Windows

Windows 8.1

Built-in wireless card

4 GB RAM, 1.8 GHz processor, and 80 GB disk space

OR

Mac

OS X 10.10 "Yosemite"

Built-in wireless card

4 GB RAM, 1.2 GHz processor, and 80 GB disk space

The student is responsible for the condition of the device brought to school, including updates, antivirus software, and repair. Personal devices should be charged and recharged outside of school unless specific permission is granted. Chargers are not provided by the school. Potomac does not endorse the use of any specific vendor and parents/students should use their own judgment in determining the device that best fits their usage and budget.

Limited loaner Chromebooks and laptops will be available in the library for school-day use in cases where a student is without his/her device.