



# Bring Your Own Device

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This increased use of technology will create an innovative educational experience focused on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills such as communication, critical thinking, digital citizenship, and collaboration. We will continue to foster our professional learning community with the necessary training and methodology to teach and learn in a digital environment while still pulling from our faculty's vast experience as educators who understand that technology is merely a tool to support learning, not a blanket solution. We continue to value each student's individual needs in order to cultivate them in heart and mind. Our increased possibilities with technology allow us to expand our community beyond the classroom to our families, alumni, and fellow Holy Cross learners across the globe.

## What do I need for BYOD?

See reverse side for tech requirements.

## 21ST CENTURY SKILLS

HOW TODAY'S STUDENTS CAN STAY COMPETITIVE IN A CHANGING JOB MARKET

### Learning Skills

Critical Thinking



Creativity



Collaboration



Communication



### Literacy Skills

Information



Media



Technology



### Life Skills

Flexibility



Leadership



Initiative



Productivity



Social



## B.Y.O.D. ACCEPTABLE DEVICES

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## IDEAL TECH REQUIREMENTS

DEVICE	PC Laptops	Mac Laptops	Chromebooks
Hardware	13" or larger screen recommended  CPU of 2.5Ghz or greater  4Gb RAM or greater [8Gb preferred]  Battery life should be at least 6 hours	13" or larger screen recommended  CPU of 2.5Ghz or greater  4Gb RAM or greater [8Gb preferred]  Battery life should be at least 6 hours	11" or larger screen recommended  CPU of 1.1-2.4 Ghz or greater  1Gb RAM or greater  Battery life should be at least 6 hours
OS (Operating System)	Windows 10/11 Not in S Mode 64-bit (minimum)	MacOS 10.13: High Sierra (minimum)	ChromeOS
Accessories (required)	Protective case/ bag	Protective case/ bag	Protective case/ bag

\*\*\* Please note that Microsoft Office or Office 365 will not be mandatory. [Google Wokspace / Google Docs will be the standard productivity package.]

\*\*\* Students are responsible for coming to school with fully charged devices. The battery life of devices should last the duration of the day. The school will provide a minimal number of charging stations in designated areas throughout the school. Students will also need to bring charging cables to make use of the stations.

To view the full B.Y.O.D. Policy & FAQs, please visit us at  
<https://www.HolyCrossHS-ct.com>