



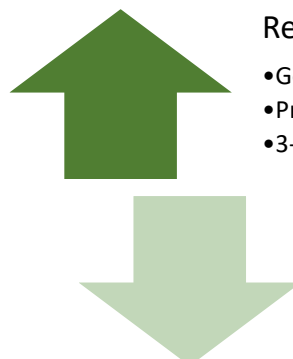
# BYOx Buying Guide

Part	Specifications	Does it meet requirements?
Device Type	Laptop or tablet with physical keyboard (no on-screen keyboard)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Operating System	<b>Windows 10 Home/Pro</b> - <a href="#">Upgrade from Win10 'S' Mode to full Win10</a> <i>Not recommended: iOS/Mac (high technical skill essential)</i> <i>Not supported: Chromebook/Android</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Processor	Minimum: Intel Core i3 (2018+ / 8 <sup>th</sup> Gen+) or latest Pentium Recommended: Intel Core i5 (11 <sup>th</sup> Gen)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Memory	Minimum: 4GB RAM – <a href="#">no longer recommended for new devices. Upgrade to 8GB for a better experience.</a> Recommended: 8GB RAM	<input type="checkbox"/>
Battery	<b>10+ Hours</b> - Important! <a href="#">Why is this number is so high?</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Display	Minimum: 10"+ Recommended: 12-15" touch screen with <a href="#">stylus – see the advantage</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Storage* (SSD)	Minimum: 128GB Recommended: 256GB	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wi-Fi	Minimum: Wifi 5 (5Ghz 802.11ac) Recommended: Wifi 6 (802.11ax)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Features	Webcam & microphone Bluetooth	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ports	USB-C with charging (highly recommended) USB-A 3.0 HDMI Headphone out	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accessories	<b>Laptop Accidental Damage Insurance</b> ( <i>considered essential</i> ) Protective Case Headphones/earphones (wired only)	<input type="checkbox"/>

*These specifications are for general, non-technical subjects. For senior technical subjects please see recommendations overleaf.*

*\*Students have one terabyte of cloud storage with OneDrive.*

What is the difference between 'minimum' and 'recommended'?



## Recommended

- Good for multi-tasking
- Preferable in senior
- 3-4 year life-span

## Minimum

- Bare bones for a device to 'connect & work'
- Simple tasks and apps only
- 2-3 year life-span

# Subject specific requirements

Park Ridge State High School highly recommends students purchase and use a device that is most appropriate for their subject requirements if they have the financial means.

A student's financial background should never stop them studying their preferred subjects. Park Ridge SHS supports students on a case-by-case basis to ensure they access a suitable device no matter what their financial situation is.

***Students should discuss concerns with their subject teachers or faculty HOD when choosing their senior subjects.***

Senior Photography / ATAR Art	Senior Industrial Graphics	Senior Film & TV / Media Arts in Practice	Music
<a href="#">Photoshop</a> 256GB SSD 8GB RAM 2GB graphics card	<a href="#">Autodesk Inventor</a> 16GB RAM 1GB graphics card	<a href="#">Premiere Pro</a> 256GB SSD 8GB RAM 2GB GPU/11 <sup>th</sup> gen CPU FHD 1080p screen SD Card reader	<a href="#">Sibelius</a> 256GB SSD 8GB RAM

## What's changed in this year's guide?

In this version, we simplified many sections and highlighted important specifications. We have not recommended 4GB RAM as this is becoming unacceptably low, but have not removed it entirely until 2022 as many manufacturers are still making a 'budget' device with 4GB RAM. We've added more links to further reading and a QR code to the digital version.

## Next steps

Read more or purchase at our Portals online:



## Questions?

Contact the IT Support team at Park Ridge State High School for further assistance or scan the QR code to find out more on our website.



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