

Laptop Program



Applicable for New Students in 2025 (Years 9 — 12)

Students commencing at Holy Spirit College in 2025 take advantage of their own personal 'digital assistant' for 'anywhere, anytime' learning through the Laptop Program (previously DAPR Program). Students are required to use a laptop whilst they are enrolled at Holy Spirit College.

Digital Skill Building

Students at HSC develop digital skills to enhance their learning across the curriculum. Students learn to:

- Use the College's Learning Management System (Student Café) and a range of online educational applications licenced to the College
- Be responsible digital citizens
- Develop keyboarding skills

Our Laptop Program adds many new dimensions to teaching and learning. The College uses a number of strategies to ensure productive and safe digital learning for students:

- All websites accessed by students at the College are monitored
- Each student's 'on-campus' usage is logged

Students use their laptop to:

- Access the internet
- Access digital resources
- Access information quickly so there is more time for deeper understanding, analysing and connecting ideas
- Organise their work for class and assignments
- Find learning more interesting and become more motivated and self-directed
- Continually develop proficiency with computers for living and working in a digital world
- Understand how to be safe in the online world through Cyber Awareness training

Further Information

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The College has two options available:

Option A

A laptop may be purchased through the College that is supported by the College IT HelpDesk. It is covered by a 3 year warranty and Accidental Damage Protection.

If the laptop is damaged or not working, it must be taken to our IT Helpdesk in Room 12 for assessment. If the laptop is out of service for a period, a loan laptop will be available.

Option B

You may bring your own laptop that meets the Laptop Program requirements. The IT Helpdesk can assist with an initial assessment if the laptop is damaged or not working, however repairs are arranged by parents/carers at own their cost. If the laptop is out of service for a period, a laptop may be hired for a fixed term.

BYO Laptop Requirements

- Small light-weight laptop is preferable
- Repairs, maintenance and insurance at own cost
- Microsoft Windows 11
- Microsoft Office 365 provided by the College free of charge
- Wireless capability and current virus protection
- Long-life battery to ensure all-day use
- Heavy duty laptop bag recommended

Students and parents/carers are required to accept Terms & Conditions in our *Information and Communications Technologies Code of Practice*.

Students in Years 7 & 8 in 2025

These students will lease a College issued laptop, charger and bag at the beginning of the 2025 school year. (refer to the Technology in Learning Flyer for further details).



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