

DEVICE GUIDE



Why Bring Your Own Device?

Instructional technology enhances learning and strengthens students' abilities by equipping them with 21st Century skills, including collaboration, communication, creativity, and critical thinking. We want our students to leave Brook Hill prepared for college and beyond in this area. To increase practice with these important skills, The Brook Hill School requires 7th-12th grade students to Bring Your Own Device, BYOD.

Requirements

- Every student (7th-12th grade) is responsible for having a device (with a keyboard) each day capable of completing required schoolwork.
- A cell phone is not considered an acceptable device.
- The device must be charged fully each day.
- No VPN installation is allowed to use campus Wi-Fi.
- Students and parents must sign the BH Digital Code of Ethics.

Recommendations

- Download an anti-virus software, preferably paid, such as Norton, McAfee, or ESET.
- Purchase protection plans, if offered, when you purchase your student's device.
- Purchase appropriate cases to protect the device.

If you intend to purchase a new device, we recommend using the information on the following page as a guide. These are not the ONLY options, but any new device purchased should meet the basic specifications mentioned.

Chrome OS:

Chromebooks are not acceptable devices due to online testing requirements. The PSAT and AP tests require either a Windows or Apple device for testing purposes.

Mac OS:

Any of these products purchased NEW will work:

- MacBook Air, MacBook, or MacBook Pro.
- iPads are allowed but should have a keyboard and be able to run iOS 15 or greater.
- Must download Office 365 apps (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.)

Windows OS:

Please note that as a student at Brook Hill, you already have access to Office 365 and do not need to purchase this in addition to a device.

Base Windows Example	Base Windows Example	Mid-Tier Example
<p><u>HP - ENVY 2-in-1 14" Full HD Touch-Screen Laptop</u></p> <p>Intel Core i5 8GB Memory 512GB Solid SSD drive</p> <p>\$549.99</p>	<p><u>Dell Inspiron 3511 15.6"</u></p> <p>Intel Core i5 8GB Memory 256GB Solid State Hard Drive</p> <p>\$401.99</p>	<p><u>Acer - TravelMate P2 P214-53 14"</u></p> <p>Intel i7 with 4 Cores 16GB Memory 512GB Solid State Hard Drive</p> <p>\$949.99</p>

