

19 November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

## Re: Bairnsdale Secondary College Device (laptop) Program - students leasing a device in 2021

In 2021, Bairnsdale Secondary College was pleased to be able to support our families by leasing devices for students. Since then, the Department of Education and Training has made significant changes to the Parent Payment policy meaning that unfortunately the College is no longer permitted to lease or sell devices to families from 2022.

## **Loan Devices**

To honour our commitment to families leasing a student device, in 2022 we are providing families the option of loaning that same device. The loan will be on an annual basis with devices returned at the end of the school year for maintenance by our ICT team. Students will be able to take the device home during the period of the loan.

If you wish to loan a device, please complete the attached expression of interest and return it to the College by 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021.

The Loan and the Acceptable Use Agreements will need to be signed prior to taking possession of the loan device. We will contact you when the devices and agreements are available.

## **Purchase your leased Device**

For the remainder of 2021, families currently leasing a device will also have the option to purchase the device to own. Any lease payments made will contribute to the cost of the device. Total cost will be the 3-year lease cost plus \$50.00.

If you wish to purchase your device, please contact Kerry, Family Finance Officer on 5150 4800 for assistance with the process.

## **BYOD** Program

The other option for families is through the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program as described in the attached information. We have setup a portal with Edunet where it is possible to purchase appropriate devices. You can purchase outright or pay over a period of up to 12 months from the Edunet portal. Alternatively, you can use the portal to find devices and options (such as warranties) for comparison with other suppliers.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on 5150 4800.

Yours sincerely

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