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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Bairnsdale Secondary College Device (laptop) Program for Year 7 students in 2022

Earlier this year we asked families of our 2022 Year 7 students to provide an expression of interest if they wished to lease a device through the College. 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 our future Year 7 students, in 2022 we are providing families the option of a loan 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 3rd 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.

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 a device 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.

We look forward to welcoming you to the College in 2022.

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

Yours sincerely

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