

# Student Laptop Information Years 7 - 12 in 2025

At Carey, we're committed to creating and maintaining an optimal learning environment for all students. This requires us to stay abreast of technological change to ensure the Carey learning experience is flexible, affordable and, most importantly, safe. Internet access is essential for all our students, but unmanaged access is unsafe and less productive. We plan that by 2027, all students will be using school-issued laptops with oversight and protection provided by the College ICT systems.

# Year 7, 2025

Year 7 students will be issued a new Chromebook Laptop at the start of Term 1. Each student will be charged an annual Technology Levy, which will contribute to the lease of the Chromebook, insurance, licensing, and preinstalled applications. This device will be due for replacement at the start of 2028.

# Year 8 & 9, 2025

Year 8 & 9 students will continue to use their existing Chromebooks. These devices will be due for replacement at the start of 2027.

# Year 10, 2025 (New Process)

From 2025, all Year 10 students will be issued a new, higher-speed Chromebook. This will be their school device until Year 12. A similar Technology Levy will be applied as for the Year 7 - 9 Chromebook. Chromebooks will remain the property of the College until the end of Year 12.

All students are welcome to use non-Carey devices for schoolwork at home, but on-site, we are moving towards a fully monitored and maintained Years 7-12 model.

#### **New Students**

New students joining the College mid-year will be issued the appropriate used laptop. The Technology Levy will apply from the student's start date and be calculated pro-rata.

# Years 7-10 Damage/Repairs

Students are expected to take all reasonable steps to care for their devices. The Technology Levy includes low-level insurance and software licensing and **one accidental damage repair (yearly)**. Should a device be damaged or lost, repairs or replacement will be managed by the Carey (ICT) Team. If insurance does not cover a repair, an invoice will be issued. The maximum charge for any repair/replacement will be the same as the annual Technology Levy. A loan Chromebook may be offered during the repair period. If the device is non-repairable, a used Chromebook may be provided as a replacement. Alternatively, if it is replaced with a new one, three years of the annual Technology Levy will commence from the replacement year.

# Years 11 -12 (2025)

In 2025, students in Years 11 and 12 can continue to use their Chromebook or supply their own Apple Macbook with a screen size of at least 13 inches and, at a minimum, use Apple's M1 processing chip. If they would like their Chromebook battery replaced, this can be arranged for a low fee through the ICT office.

Students who prefer a more powerful Mac device can use the Secondary computer labs for media and design purposes.

# Summary

- 2025 all Year 7- 10 students will use a school-issued laptop.
- 2026 all Year 7-11 students will use a school-issued laptop.
- 2027 all students will use school-issued laptops protected by the College ICT systems.

# Acceptable Use

As the device is a tool for learning, its use in the classroom will be at the discretion of teachers. All use is subject to the ICT Agreement signed by students and families. Students are expected to abide by the terms of this agreement at all times. The College ICT Agreement applies to any device used on campus.

Once the signed ICT Agreement has been returned to the College, the ICT Department will allow individual students access to the College network.

- No action is required for existing students, as the College has a signed ICT Agreement.
- New students to the College will be required to return the signed ICT Agreement.
- Where the ICT Policy is updated, families must sign necessary changes.

For any enquiries regarding Chromebooks, please contact chromebookhelpdesk@carey.wa.edu.au

# Appendix A.

Year group in 2025	Device	Plan	2025 Levy
Year 7	College Chromebook	3 Years (2025 - 2027*)	\$395 TBC**
Year 8	College Chromebook	3 Years (2024 - 2026*)	\$395 TBC**
Year 9	College Chromebook	4 Years (2023 - 2026*)	\$315 TBC**
Year 10	College Chromebook	3 Years (2025 - 2027*)	\$410 TBC**
Year 11&12	BYOD Chromebook or Mac.	BYOD	-

<sup>\*</sup>Devices remain the property of the College until the end of this period.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Device levies will be confirmed in Term 4, 2024.