

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. To provide robust oversight and protection we are transitioning all students to school-issued laptops exclusively managed by the College ICT systems. In 2026, only Year 12 students will remain on the previous BYOD policy.

In 2026:

- **All Year 7 students** will be issued a new Carey Chromebook. 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 in 2029.
- **Year 8-11 students** will continue to use their existing College Chromebooks.
- **Year 12 students** can continue to use their College Chromebook or supply their own Apple Macbook. If they would like their Chromebook battery replaced, this can be arranged for a low fee through the ICT office.

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 7-11 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.

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 2026	Device	Plan*	2026 Levy
Year 7	College Chromebook	3 Years (2026 - 2028)	\$400
Year 8	College Chromebook	3 Years (2025 - 2027)	\$400
Year 9	College Chromebook	3 Years (2024 - 2026)	\$410
Year 10	College Chromebook	4 Years (2023 - 2026)	\$315
Year 11	College Chromebook	3 Years (2025 - 2027)	\$410
Year 12	Chromebook or Mac.	BYOD (2026)	\$50**

*Devices remain the property of the College until the end of this period.
** Except when a family has opted to commence a new Chromebook lease