



Southport State High School – Technology Agreement

Student first name	Student surname	Year level

Agreement summary

This agreement governs the use of Information Communication and Technology (ICT) resources, including computers, laptops, iPads, Bring Your Own (BYO) devices, and other facilities and services at the school. The agreement is aligned with the Queensland Department of Education's 'Acceptable Use of ICT Facilities and Devices' policy and the 'BYOx Charter'. It is subject to ongoing updates, and the latest version of this document is available on the school website.

Your behaviour must:

- Be safe, lawful, and ethical.
- Be courteous and respectful of others.
- Be conducive to the good order and conduct of the school community.

Should this agreement be breached, there will be consequences as per current school policies, including costs to remedy loss or damage and/or restriction of ICT access privileges.

Signing this agreement

This is an agreement between the school, the parent/carer and the student with respect to the use, care and operation of ICT and the return of any school-issued ICT, including recovery of costs incurred for damage or loss.

Terms and Conditions of the Technology Agreement

1. ICT resources are to be used for learning and other educational activities conducted by the school.
2. You are to bring your device to school every day in good working order, charged and inside its case/cover.
3. School owned ICT equipment must be returned as soon as possible after an incident or fault. Costs to rectify damage are the responsibility of the student and parent/carer.
4. Students are to set up and maintain appropriate security and privacy settings. Devices must be set up with a screen security lock or passcode.
5. All internet access must be via the school's filtered WiFi network. The use of VPNs, hotspots, or tethering devices is prohibited.
6. Keep antivirus software up to date and scan your device regularly.
7. Students must not share account access information (usernames, passwords, PINs, passcodes) with anyone except authorised staff.

8. The use of emerging technologies, such as artificial intelligence tools (e.g., ChatGPT) and virtual reality, must align with the school's educational objectives, policies, and ethical guidelines.
9. Students should be mindful of their digital footprint. The school provides resources to help students manage their online reputation responsibly.
10. Parents/carers are responsible for repair or replacement costs of BYOD devices. Costs incurred by the school for repair or replacement of school-owned devices will be charged to parents/carers.
11. All incidents involving ICT faults, damage, loss, or theft must be reported to their classroom teacher or IT department as soon as possible after the incident.
12. Parents/carers are encouraged to actively monitor their child's online activity at home, including use of parental controls and online safety discussions.
13. Parents/carers are encouraged to consider insurance options for BYOD devices.
14. Students should practise healthy digital habits such as taking regular breaks from screens, balancing online/offline activities, and using wellbeing resources provided by the school.
15. Authorised staff may access and monitor student activities on devices. Breaches of this agreement may result in consequences, including suspension from the technology program.
16. Disputes may be escalated to the Principal, and if unresolved, to the Department of Education's regional office.
17. This agreement will be reviewed annually to remain aligned with current Department of Education policies, emerging technologies, and the evolving needs of the school community.
18. The school will provide education sessions for students on ICT use, online safety, and digital wellbeing.

Acknowledgement

By signing this agreement, students and parents/carers confirm that they have read, understood, and agreed to abide by the terms and conditions outlined above.

Student Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____.

Parent/Carer signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____.