Cherokee Christian BYOD Requirements

Secondary School students are **required** to participate in the BYOD (*Bring Your Own Device*) program.

Typical BYOD Activities:
- Installing and Using the school-provided Microsoft Office suite
- Using our online learning platform, Schoology
- Web browsing, Email

APPROVED Devices:
- Windows 10[1] or Apple MacBook[2] laptops are the best experience
- Recent Apple iPads[3] are an acceptable choice. Students should get a keyboard[4] case.

NON APPROVED Devices:
- Android-based tablets
- Google Chromebooks[5]
- Kindle, Kindle Fire
- Smartphones (Android/Google or iPhone)

Special Requirements for Students in Masterwork Studios
- There are not any additional BYOD requirements for Masterwork Studios.
- Students heading into their senior year should consult their program advisor to see if they would be better served with additional equipment.

Special Requirements for Students in STEM
- Students in the STEM program will need either a MacBook or Windows PC to run programming tools, analysis software, and web-based technologies.
- iPads are not acceptable devices for STEM.
- A laptop model with at least 8GB of RAM and an SSD (Solid State Drive) is highly suggested.

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[1] Purchasing the cheapest Windows PCs (typically <$300) can be regrettable. Look for a minimum of 8GB of RAM and 256 GB of Hard Drive space. Windows S mode is not supported at Cherokee Christian Schools.

[2] Any newer MacBook will work well. bhphotovideo.com and Apple Education sales sometimes have deals. Used MacBooks can be an option.

[3] iPads must be new enough to support the version 13 of iPadOS. See that list here: https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT210327

[4] Buy a quality keyboard case; Apple or Logitech brands are recommended

[5] Chromebooks are temptingly inexpensive but are not allowed for CCS classwork, primarily for poor compatibility with Microsoft Office 365.