



MACKAY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

We Love | We Care | We Learn

Electronic Devices Policy

This policy refers to all student-owned eDevices, with the exception of the approved MCC electronic learning tool, eg iPad. Students are permitted to bring personal eDevices to school in accordance with the following conditions:

1. A personal eDevice which connects directly to the internet via SIM (eg mobile phone) may be brought to school but must be switched off and stored in the student's bag during school hours (8.00am-3.15 pm on Junior Campus and 8.25am-3.00pm on Senior Campus) unless under direct supervision of a teacher during class time, or for approved medical reasons.
2. **Personal eDevices which connect indirectly to the internet via Bluetooth, mobile hotspot or tethering are not permitted at school**, eg smartwatches and other wearable devices. These items will be confiscated if found in a student's possession.
3. Students are solely responsible for the care of their personal eDevices while at school. If a student's personal eDevice is lost, stolen, or damaged, the college accepts no responsibility for replacement or repair, or for the cost of replacement or repair.
4. If a student needs to contact their parent they must go to Junior Reception or Senior Reception and ask permission to make the call there. If Reception staff or the student have a concern with the nature of the call, then staff should re-direct the student to the Head of School and call ahead to notify. The Head of School will authorise the call if appropriate and provide privacy for the call. **No unauthorised calls** are to be made by students.
5. If a personal eDevice is used by a student during school hours, the item may be confiscated and kept in a secure location at Reception or Executive Office. The student will be able to retrieve the item at the end of the school day. Repeatedly using an eDevice when unauthorised may result in more serious consequences.
6. Personal eDevices must not be connected to the college network. Doing so will result in a breach of the Network Student User Agreement (view at mcc.qld.edu.au).
7. In all situations, a teacher's instructions will override all of the above conditions.

CLEAR Technology @ MCC

CLEAR Technology @ MCC aims to reinforce using the college's CLEAR values of Christlikeness, Learning, Excellence, Attitude, and Respect, as a filter for decision-making when using technology. Currently we are using and continuously developing a whole-school CLEAR Technology work program for students to improve their capacity to understand and apply ethical and socially responsible principles when collaborating, creating, sharing and using digital technologies, data, online processes, and tools/equipment.

- C** Care for your device
- L** Leave a lovely digital footprint
- E** Enjoy the e-adventure with excellence
- A** Always avoid danger
- R** Reliable resources rule!

MCC has achieved eSmart status. This initiative promotes the smart, safe and responsible use of technology, and part of that aims to educate schools and parents about what the risks are, and how they can be avoided or managed.