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Bring Your Own Device Equity Policy

Rationale

The Leeton High School Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program, like all BYOD programs in an education setting, inherently imposes a financial cost on students and their families in supplying a device. At the same time, the Leeton High School BYOD program can only function if all students have access to appropriate technological resources in all their classes. Leeton High School takes seriously the role of public education in ensuring that all students have access to the same learning outcomes. The purpose of the BYOD Equity Policy is to establish the framework for the BYOD program to provide this for all students, irrespective of their families' financial means.

Leeton High School will:

- 1. Endeavour to provide access to appropriate technology resources to all students operating under the school's BYOD program in keeping with the objectives of that policy and with respect to its role as a public education institution.
- 2. Ensure the BYOD Program's Device Specification is designed so that a range of devices in capability and cost are suitable and meet the Specification.
 - 3. Consider a range of alternatives for providing device access for students, including:
 - Loan of a laptop or other device for a particular period or class
 - Loan of a laptop or other device for a particular day
 - Two sets of laptops available for classes and teachers to borrow for student use
- 4. Employ a BYOD Support Officer. The BYOD Support Officer will provide basic support and limited troubleshooting for students to connect their laptop or device to the NSWDEC Wi-Fi network. The BYOD Support Officer will NOT be able to repair any laptop or device nor be able to do any data recovery from a laptop or device.

B. Students and Parents/Carers:

- 1. Consider your options for the purchase or lease of equipment that meets the Device Specification.
- 2. If you believe you are unable to provide a device that meets the specification:
 - Make an application in writing to the Principal, or make an appointment to speak with

- the Principal and indicate you require assistance in addressing the school's Bring Your Own Device program
- The school will liaise with you, your child and his/her teachers to identify the most appropriate way to address the issue
- You will be asked to make an agreement with the school that confirms the alternate arrangements made for your child's access to technological resources

The school will not purchase a device to assign to your child nor will the school make a device available for permanent loan