



Gaston Day School

Bring Your Own Chromebook (BYOC) Policy

Lower School

The Gaston Day School Bring Your Own Device Policy requires all students in 3rd through 4th grades to provide their own device to use at school daily. We believe this policy allows access to technology that meets the needs of a Lower School student in order to provide the best possible learning experience.

Responsible Use

Gaston Day School holds high expectations for student behavior, academic integrity, and the responsible use of existing and emerging technologies. Students who use personal devices while on the Gaston Day School campus or at school-sponsored events shall demonstrate respect for the educational environment and the rights and privacy of all individuals within the school community. All students and parents are expected to sign a responsible use form at the beginning of each school year.

Device Requirements - Chromebook required

We understand that students have different needs and preferences, and we want them to use the device that is most comfortable for them. Therefore, students will need a chromebook (iPads are not permitted) that they use at school and should bring this device fully charged to school daily. Given that there are certain technical requirements needed to be successful in the Lower School, students are required to have a device with the following features:

- Wireless internet access
- Keyboard
- Minimum 11" screen
- Chrome Operating System (OS) (iPads, tablets, or other laptops are not permitted)
- Headphone jack- headphones with a mic may be needed also

Wifi Requirement at home:

All students should also have access to a reliable wifi connection at home with a minimum of 1.5 Mbps for 1:1 HD streaming. If required to move to virtual learning, students will be expected to access lessons online, attend synchronous classes, and submit digital assignments. **ZOOM:** if needed

Minimum bandwidth is 600kbps (up/down) and recommended is 1.5 Mbps (up/down). Check your Internet bandwidth using Speedtest. <https://www.speedtest.net/>