

BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) Policy

At Caris College, we believe technology is crucial to modern teaching and learning, and therefore an expected component of college education. For this reason, we are adopting a new college-wide policy in order to utilize technology for in-person classes.

BYOD (or, Bring Your Own Device) refers to a policy where students bring their own portable computers (laptop, MacBook) to their in-person classes for the purpose of active learning, simulation lab, and testing. All students taking classes that meet partly or completely on campus need a portable device versus a desktop computer.

Each student's device will need to access the College network and internet. Therefore, Caris College students are expected to use the network responsibly. Student use of the College network is monitored and logged to ensure compliance with the responsible use policy.

Students may wish to consult their individual departmental major for specific recommendations, but in general, suitable mobile technology such as laptops should have at least an 8" screen size. Phones of any kind are not acceptable as an in-class or online technology device.

Minimum Technical Specifications

Browser	Version	Notes
Google Chrome™	101 or later	For optimal experience, enable "Third Party Cookies" in Google Chrome settings, under "Cookies and other site data".
Mozilla Firefox®	100 or later	
Safari®	13 or later	For optimal experience, disable the "prevent cross-site tracking" setting under Safari's privacy settings.

Device	Operating System	Notes
PC	Windows 10 or later	Min resolution 1024 x 600
Mac	Mac OS® X 13 or later	Min resolution 1024 x 600

Devices should have Windows 10 or higher.

Device Availability

We recognize that this new BYOD policy may impose an undue financial burden on students. Caris College has a Learning Resource Center with technical devices available Monday through Friday 8AM to 10PM. We are able to provide laptops for exams with prior notice.

Device Security

It is the responsibility of device owners to ensure that devices are secure by installing anti-malware software and maintaining regular system updates. Unsecured devices may not be able to connect to the Caris College network.

Technical Support for your Device

All maintenance for your device, including software installations and updates and apps purchased will be the students' responsibility. Faculty and Staff may be able to offer help connecting to the network and can assist with other general troubleshooting queries, but the College cannot provide support for complex problems with students' specific devices.

Internet Speed & Computing Power:

- For an optimal experience, internet speed of at least 5 Mbps (ideally 10 Mbps or more) is required. Test your internet speed using www.speedtest.net.
- Minimum RAM 4 GB
- For Civility Mentor, The Communicator 2.0 and HealthAssess virtual simulations, a minimum internet speed of 5 Mbps is required (10 Mbps or more is recommended). Test your internet speed using www.speedtest.net.

Browser:

- JavaScript and cookies must both be enabled within the browser.
- Some browsers may require users to enable tabbing.
- Some content may only be made accessible by disabling your browser's popup blocker.
- Session Timeout Counter: The browser you use needs to allow status bar updates via script otherwise a session timeout counter will not be visible for you.
- These browser extensions have been known to cause issues using atitesting.com: Netflix Teleparty, Malwarebytes, Grammarly, Kaspersky, and, DuckDuckGo.