

## NVSHS Away for the Day -Exemption Application

At Narangba Valley State High School, students are not permitted access to mobile phones (and connected personal devices) throughout the school day in accordance with the Education Department's 'Away for the Day' policy.

Individual students may have extenuating reasons for needing restricted access to their personal device during school hours due to medical, disability and/or wellbeing reasons. Please see the table below for possible reasons and the supporting documentation required to be submitted with application.

Possible Extenuating Reasons	Possible Supporting Documentation
the mobile device is used by the student to monitor or manage a medical condition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnosis evidence</li> <li>• Medical management and health plans from specialists, psychologist or other registered health professionals.</li> </ul>
the mobile device is used as an agreed reasonable adjustment for a student with disability or learning difficulties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnosis evidence (or school evidence of an imputed disability)</li> <li>• Medical and disability management and health plans from specialist, psychologist or registered health professional.</li> <li>• Support provisions recommendations made by the expert team</li> </ul>
the student uses the mobile device as an augmentative or alternative communication system or as an aide to access and participate in the environment (for example, navigation or object/people identification applications)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical management and health plans from specialists, psychologist or other registered health professionals.</li> <li>• Support provisions recommendations made by the expert team</li> </ul>
the mobile device is used as an agreed adjustment for a student with English as an Additional Language or Dialect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EAL/D Bandscaling evidence</li> <li>• Support provisions recommendations made by the expert team</li> </ul>
The student is the primary carer of younger siblings or family members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of situation</li> <li>• Guidance Officer Report</li> <li>• Centrelink support materials</li> </ul>

*A typical example is where a mobile phone is used at set times during the day by a student to manage and monitor diabetic highs and lows. Alarm on phone signals health issue.*

### Further Details:

- Applications will be assessed and parents/caregivers will be advised of the outcome within 5 working days of submission.
- School will consider if the student's BYOX device can be used as a replacement for the personal device
- If the student's exemption application is approved for restricted access, details of how and when the student may access their mobile device, and clear expectations for the safe and respectful use of the device will clearly be outlined in a support plan that will be recorded on the student's OneSchool profile. The student and their parent/carer will be required to sign off on the agreed to plan.
- if permitted to use a device at school under an approved exemption, students can only use it for the intended and agreed purpose otherwise normal policy processes and consequences will be enacted or the exemption may be revoked.

Please complete the following form if you wish to apply for a device exemption for your child.

<b>AWAY FOR THE DAY- EXEMPTION APPLICATION</b>	
Students Name:	
Year Level:	
Summary of Reason for Exemption Request: <i>(please ensure supporting documentation is attached)</i>	
Parent/Caregivers Name (print):	
Parent/Caregivers Signature:	Date:
<b>Office Use Only</b>	
Exemption Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	Exemption Approved <input type="checkbox"/> No
Approval Restrictions: _____ _____ _____ _____	Reasons: _____ _____ _____ _____
Principal:	Date:
Exemption recorded on DayMap/OneSchool	Date:

*\*Please submit this form to the front office or email directly to your student's Deputy Principal with supporting documentation.*