USB or Microsoft LifeChat Headphones

How to Configure USB or Microsoft LifeChat Headphones for Use

The steps provided below only pertain to USB or **Microsoft LifeChat** headphones, (mainly used to support student accommodations for assessments). Standard headphones ($\frac{1}{2}$ " jack) will not need to be set as a default device in order to function properly.*

To enable Microsoft Life Chat Headphones (these have a microphone in addition to the earphones):

- 1. Ensure that the headphones are connected to the device via the USB port
- Find and right-click the volume icon near the bottom right of the screen and choose 'Playback Devices'



3. From the Sound Menu that opens, select the 'Microsoft LifeChat' option and then select 'Set as Default', Click 'Apply' and then 'OK.' This will set your headphones as the default device on the computer.



*The best way to establish a working connection between headphones and the device is through a USB connection. ½" headphone jacks (the more common design for everyday use) come in a variety of tip and ring configurations that may or may not be compatible with a computer, based on the arrangement of the tip and ring format. Although most configurations will work with current computers, it is important to note that older ½" equipped units may not make a usable connection, which cannot be changed by the settings on the computer itself.