

The integration of digital technology continues to have a transformative effect on learning both in and out of the classroom. Ensuring your daughter has an adequate device is very important and requires consideration of many factors: price, battery life, processing speed (processor plus RAM), and software requirements. Below is a list of recommendations and ideas for the power and type of device students should be aiming to bring to school.

Minimum Recommended Specifications – PC Tablet Computer

- **Operating System:** Windows 10
- **Processor:** Intel i3 (or equivalent)
- **Hard Drive:** 64 GB SSD
- **RAM:** 4GB (8GB is preferred)
- **Battery:** 6 hours of battery life
- **Screen:** 10” or larger
- **Wireless Connectivity:** Wi-Fi and Bluetooth capable
- **Touch Screen:** Pen or Stylus input is preferred for note taking purposes

Tablet computer hybrids are preferred as they support all software that may be required at all levels. Additionally, these devices offer students the flexibility to take notes, sketch, and annotate directly on their device while maintaining the full functionality of a laptop computer. Some examples of devices that meet the recommended minimum specifications include: Microsoft Surface devices, Lenovo Yoga/IdeaPad/ThinkPad models, and ASUS Transformer products.

Apple does not currently offer a product that fits into the tablet computer hybrid market, so Apple devices (iPads and Mac laptops) are not recommended at this time.

Chromebooks are very popular as reliable, less expensive alternatives, but they are NOT acceptable as there are productivity and compatibility issues, especially when offline.