

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) REQUIREMENTS GRADES 8-12

St. Mary's technology initiative requires all students in grades 8-12 to bring their own computer to school as their primary technology tool for academic use. This decision is a natural outgrowth of our curriculum and its integration of online tools. You will find the minimum specifications for computers compatible with the School's academic expectations, network and systems below.

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Types of Computers

The device needs to be a laptop computer with a **full operating system**. The device needs network access to allow connection to a secured Wi-Fi network (802.11g or newer). The devices listed below meet the minimum requirements to function on our network and work with our established systems. Chromebooks are not compatible with our network and established systems at this time.

Minimum Requirements for Laptop Computer

Platform	Operating System	Storage & Hard Drive Space	Memory	Network	Required Software
PC – any brand	Windows 10	250 GB SATA Hard Drive or 128 GB Solid State HD	8 GB RAM minimum More is always better	Wi-Fi capable	Antivirus software (This is often provided free from your internet provider)
Apple MacBook Air*	High Sierra	Minimum of 128 GB Flash storage	8 GB RAM minimum More is always better	Wi-Fi capable	Antivirus software (This is often provided free from your internet provider)
Apple MacBook Pro*	High Sierra	Minimum of 128 GB Flash storage	8 GB RAM minimum More is always better	Wi-Fi capable	Antivirus software (This is often provided free from your internet provider)

**It is recommended, but not required, that the Apple Extended Warranty (AppleCare) be purchased for Apple Computers. The warranty extends coverage from 1 year to 3 years.*

Acceptable Use

With any computer on campus, student-owned or school-provided, all students are expected to follow the Acceptable Use Policies published in the student handbooks.

Financial Aid

The school has a limited supply of loaner computers that are available to students who have significant financial need as determined by School and Student Services (SSS). Please contact Nicole Hernandez, Director of Financial Aid, at (901) 537-1405 or via email at nhernandez@stmarysschool.org if you would like to request use of one of these computers for your daughter.