

Bring Your Own Mac

Hardware and Software Requirements

All SAS students in grades 6-12 must bring to school a MacBook Pro, MacBook Air, or MacBook computer (less than 4 years old) with the most recent version of Mac OS X operating system.

Student computers must have a productivity suite that is capable of saving documents in standard Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) formats. Examples of productivity suites with this capability include:

- Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Apple iWork (Pages, Numbers, Keynote)
- OpenOffice
- LibreOffice

Students may also use online applications, such as Microsoft Office 365 or Google Documents/Spreadsheets/Slides, although network connectivity may be needed.

Additionally, students must:

- have a method for backing up their data in the event of a hardware problem or data loss. Examples of backup methods include backing up to an external hard drive with TimeMachine, or synchronizing files to a cloud-based service such as OneDrive or iCloud.
- maintain the computer in proper operating condition (i.e. functional and without any damage preventing proper operation). Students who have AppleCare can access the services in the Apple Service Centers, often without charge.

Loaner computers are available for short periods of time (maximum 1 week) while required repairs are carried out.

To check warranty coverage for MacBook computers, please refer to the following link:
<https://checkcoverage.apple.com>