

LAPTOP POLICY

The Secondary division at Oslo International School implements a Bring-Your-Own-Laptop (BYOL) policy. This is to ensure that students' learning experiences resonate with the technological advancements of contemporary life and work environments. We require all students across year groups to bring a laptop to school every day. As part of our philosophy, we believe students should feel comfortable using a device they may potentially use daily. Students' devices must be portable computers that meet or exceed the specifications below.

Specifications

Operating System: Windows or macOS. (Please note: Linux and ChromeOS are not supported as they do not meet the software requirements).

Memory: At least 16GB RAM.

Screen Size: 13 inches.

Processor: Intel i5 or Ryzen 5 or higher, preferably from the latest generation (currently 14th).

Ports: At least one USB-C and one USB-A port, along with an HDMI output.

Battery Life: Should support a full school day, minimum 7 hours.

Weight: Approximately 1.5 kg for ease of carrying.

Microsoft Office 365

OIS will provide Microsoft Office 365 accounts for all students to enhance digital learning experiences, fostering effective collaboration, communication, and productivity. Students will have access to essential tools such as Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Teams, and OneNote, supporting academic endeavours and nurturing creativity, critical thinking, and digital literacy skills. Integrating this software into our educational ecosystem will empower students to excel academically and prepare for success in a digital world.

Guidelines

- Laptops must be in good working condition, with all necessary software and security updates installed.
- Students are responsible for the care and security of their laptops while on school premises.
- Laptops must be labelled with the student's name for easy identification.
- Any damage or loss of laptops is the sole responsibility of the student, and the school accepts no liability for such incidents.
- Laptops should be used solely for educational purposes during school hours.
- Inappropriate use of laptops or the network, including accessing restricted websites or engaging in cyberbullying, harassment, or illegal activities, will be followed up through the OIS Code of Conduct.
- Laptops must be fully charged before coming to school, as charging facilities may not be available in all classrooms.
- Students must bring their own charger.

