COMPUTER PURCHASING GUIDE

Device Requirements and Recommendations

Marianapolis Preparatory School requires all students to have a personal computing device for classwork. While we do not mandate a specific brand or model, any device that can connect to the internet is acceptable. Our primary learning tools include the Google Suite for assignments and our online Learning Management System, Knight's Hub. Devices should be kept up to date with the latest operating system and security updates to ensure compatibility and security.

Recommended Devices

Most students at Marianapolis use either a Mac or a PC, though Chromebooks and iPads are also acceptable. Below are our recommendations based on different needs and budgets:

- **Mac Devices** – MacBooks are recommended.
- **Windows Devices** – Windows laptops are recommended.
- **Chromebooks** – Chromebooks are acceptable for basic schoolwork.
- **iPads or other tablets**– iPads can be used for schoolwork, though a keyboard attachment is recommended for productivity.

Device Connectivity and Restrictions

Each student may connect up to three personal devices to the school's WiFi network.

Allowed Devices:

- Laptops (Mac, Windows, Chromebook)
- Tablets (including iPads)
- Smartphones
- Gaming consoles (for boarding students only; must be registered with IT)

Prohibited Devices:

- Any unapproved networking equipment (e.g., personal routers, modems, network extenders)
- Unauthorized servers or similar devices that could interfere with the school's network

Final Recommendations

When choosing a device, consider your workload and future needs. MacBooks and Windows laptops are best for students who need powerful and long-lasting devices. Chromebooks and iPads are more budget-friendly options for students who primarily use Google Suite. No matter

which device you choose, ensure it is kept up to date with the latest operating system and security updates for an optimal learning experience at Marianapolis Preparatory School.