



Student Computer Recommendations

Specs	Minimum Recommendation	Preferred
Processor	Intel Core Series/ AMD A Series	Intel i5 or i7/ AMD equivalent
RAM	4Gb	8Gb
Hard Drive	300Gb	500Gb
Ethernet	10/100	10/100
Wireless	802.11 b/g/n Mac: Airport Extreme	802.11n Mac: Airport Extreme Dual Band (2.4 Ghz and 5 Ghz)
Optical Drive	CD+/- RW/DVD Burn/Reads CDs Reads DVDs	DVD +/- RW Burns/Reads CDs and DVDs
Operating System	Windows 7 Mac: 10.9 (Mountain Lion)	Windows 8.1 Mac: OS X (Mavericks)
Power Protection	Surge Protector	Surge Protector

1. The I.T. department no longer supports Windows XP for PCs or OS 10.5 (Leopard) for Macs.
2. Students can use and download Microsoft Office 365 applications through the school provided .edu email account. This includes commonly used productivity tools such as Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Students also qualify for discounts on Dell equipment. (Link provided on website)
3. The I.T. department recommends that students purchase some type of external backup media. This will assist in data backup and transfer of files. Options include but are not limited to a USB flash drive or external hard drive.