

Our 7-12 grade students will need a personal computer. Most of our classes are using digital books. All of our 7-12th grade students are using **Moodle**, a web-based classroom management program. There are many computers that fall into each category and many manufacturers have educational pricing.

Please use the following guidelines to select your device:

Minimum Specifications for Computers:

Processor - i3 processor (or equivalent AMD)

Ram - 4GB minimum

Hard Drive - 128GB minimum

Wireless - 802.11 b, g, n, or ac

Operating Systems - Windows 8, 8.1, or 10 (Do not get Windows 8RT)

8 hours of battery life

Preferred Specifications for Computers:

Processor - i5 or i7 processor (or equivalent AMD)

Ram - 8GB

Hard Drive - 128GB or a Solid State Drive

Solid State Drives are extremely fast and will be labeled as SSD.

Please note, however, SSHD are not recommended.

Wireless - 802.11 b, g, n, or ac

Operating Systems - Windows 8, 8.1, or 10 (Do not get Windows 8RT)

8 hours of battery life

Please be advised:

We recommend each student use a backup device, such as an external hard drive or flash drive. Maintaining a backup of your system will be critical if your device is damaged, lost, or stolen.

Apple computers may not be compatible with programs and applications at the school. Should you decide to purchase an Apple computer, be aware that technical support through our school will be limited. Furthermore, supplemental items that accompany each course may not be compatible with the Apple device.

Chromebooks and iPads are NOT compatible with our system.

Please install antivirus and malware protection on all computers.

Free options available:

<http://www.malwarebytes.org>

<http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows/security-essentials-download>