



Laptop Specifications - Updated Jun 17, 2026

Due to the high level of technology integration into our classrooms and curricula, students in Grades Six and above must have laptops.

Recommended & Minimum Computer Configurations for Students

A student is generally expected to come to campus with a functioning computer capable of accessing the internet. For students, our recommendations and minimum system requirements provide general guidelines on which computer configurations work best in the WPS computing environment.

Note: This online document contains the most accurate recommendations. Your print materials may be out-of-date.

Recommended Configurations:

As Windermere Preparatory School begins the process of pursuing recognition as an Apple Distinguished School, we strongly encourage families purchasing a new laptop to choose an Apple MacBook device whenever possible. Apple devices provide the most consistent experience with the digital tools, workflows, and learning environments used across our campus.

Families who already own a Windows PC that meets our minimum specifications are not required to purchase a new device. We will continue to support both macOS and Windows devices that meet the published minimum requirements.

Operating System: macOS 26: Tahoe

Processor (CPU): Apple M3 or newer; Intel i5/i7 (13th Gen or newer)

Memory (RAM): 16 GB

Storage: 512 GB (SSD Preferred)

Wi-Fi: Wi-Fi 6 or 6E

Minimum Requirements:

We support the following minimum computer configurations, which you can use to connect to the campus-wide network.

Note: The following lists the minimum requirements for network connectivity and other basic functions.

Operating System: macOS 15: Sequoia or newer, Windows 11 or 10

Processor (CPU): Apple M2; Intel i5

Memory(RAM): 8 GB

Storage: 128 GB (SSD Preferred)

Wi-Fi: Wi-Fi 5 (802.11ac)



All students using Windows-based computers must arrive on the first day of school with the following software (the school will not supply or install this software). The software must not expire during the school year without being renewed. Failure to maintain this software may result in the termination of the student's computer rights until the situation is resolved to maintain the safety and security of all users:

- (Windows only) Anti-virus software with a subscription that will not expire in the school year
- (Windows only) Anti-Spyware Software with a subscription that will not expire in the school year
- (Optional*) Parental Control Software – This software is recommended for our students in grades before high school. This allows the parent to control what software the student can use and when they may use it.

Laptops Parental Control Options:

- Apple's built-in [Screen Time \(Laptop\)](#)
- [Qustodio](#) or [kaspersky](#) are examples of services that have a paid subscription.

Families are responsible for all aspects of laptop maintenance. If your child takes their laptop to a Windermere Preparatory School Teacher or Staff Member for assistance, Windermere Preparatory School assumes no liability for the laptop's condition. Any actions taken by our staff are solely for the assistance of that child. Staff will not physically change a laptop without permission from the Student or Parent.