

Bring Your Own Computer Program Minimum System Specifications

Hardware

- Laptop computer (Microsoft Windows based or Apple MacBook)
- 9 inch screen or greater
- Wireless network access
- VGA output for classroom projectors (this is built in to most Windows laptops. MacBooks require a VGA adapter)
- Battery with four hour run time
- Battery charger
- Headphone jack
- Built in or external video camera
- Built in microphone or microphone jack
- 1 USB port
- 1 USB flash drive, 4 Gb capacity or greater

Optional Hardware

- Built in or external CD/DVD player/burner
- Students enrolling in advanced Media Arts classes may want laptops designed for image editing.

Software

- Current Operating system (Windows 7 or 10 for Windows PCs or Apple OsX 9 (Mavericks) or greater for Macbooks.
- Web browser (Internet Explorer is built in for Window PCs and Safari for MacBooks is built in)
- Word processing program (most computer come in with a basic word processing program)
- Antivirus program

Allowable but not recommended

- Full size (10” screen) tablet with external keyboard
 - Working exclusively with a tablet is very difficult. If a student plans to use a tablet at school, they should have a “regular” computer available to them at home.
- Chromebook
 - Chromebooks work best when connected to the internet. They do not run all software a student might encounter.

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