



YEAR 10-12, 2024

1:1 Device Program

Background information

To assist Year 10-12 students with their learning, personal laptops or tablets can be used during lessons (please note Chromebooks are currently not supported). Keeping in line with our whole-school approach, personal laptops are to be used only for educational purposes. Students are required to adhere to the same ICT Protocols outlined in the Student Handbook, such as charging their devices at home. ICT support for personal BYO devices is limited. The risk of damage or theft continues to be the responsibility of students and parents. The College cannot accept responsibility for devices brought to school and by bringing a device, students indicate that they, and their parents, understand these conditions.

Edunet Portal now available

It is expected that all students will have a suitable device to support their learning in the classroom. In 2024, Year 10-12 students can continue to use their existing device or purchase a new device.

For students who select to purchase a new laptop, we recommend using the Edunet Online Ordering Portal for Years 10-12. Selected Lenovo and MacBook models are available for purchase at competitive prices. Packages include 3-year on-site warranties allowing more comprehensive support through our ICT Department. Optional purchases include laptop cases, power banks and insurance.

How to order a device

Refer to the attached documentation supplied by our education partner, Edunet, which includes device specifications and other important details. Laptops will be owned by families and supervised and managed by the College. This ensures College network access, simple installation of software, configuration of settings and adherence to the College's ICT protocols.

When to order a device

Supply of devices at the given prices is limited and it is anticipated that some models will sell out before the end of 2023. It is recommended you place the order for your preferred device early to secure stock for delivery prior to Term 1, 2024. Payment can be made upfront or via a Zip Payment Plan.

Delivery cut-off dates:

- Order by 3rd of November 2023 – for expected collection during December 2023.
- Order by 1st of December 2023 – for expected collection during January 2024.

Orders placed after December 1, 2023, may not be ready for collection prior to the commencement of Term 1, 2024.

Collecting your device

Laptops will be delivered to the College and then distributed to students onsite. To ensure the maximum warranty term, deliveries will not commence until December 2023.

Devices require final configuration by our ICT team after delivery; therefore, exact collection dates and times will be communicated to families in December 2023.

Booklists

Both eBooks and printed textbooks are ordered by families through an online ordering system. 2024 booklists will be available in Term 4, 2023. Further information regarding this process will be accessible on our website, www.mcc.vic.edu.au, in Term 4.

Further enquiries

Detailed information, such as payment options, is supplied by Edunet in both the attached documentation and the FAQ section of their Parent Portal, found at: <https://meltoncc.technologyportal.com.au/>

You can also check the following FAQ page for more information on the 1:1 device program.

Questions about the devices or ordering process can be directed to Edunet on **1300 338 638** or via email: portal@edunet.com.au

General enquiries regarding the 1:1 device program can also be directed to Mr Simon Doherty via email sdoherty@mcc.vic.edu.au or by contacting College Reception on 9732 3000.

FAQ: Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can I purchase a laptop for my child in other year levels (years 7-9)?

A: Year 7 students are expected to purchase a laptop via the Years 7-9 Edunet Portal. Year 8 & 9 students will continue to use their current laptop in 2024. Year 10-12 students can continue bringing their own device (iPad or laptop) or they can purchase a laptop via the Years 10-12 Edunet Portal.

Q: Which add-ons are required?

A: The 3-year on-site warranty and 3-year battery warranty are required to ensure maximum protection and serviceability of the device. All other accessories and insurance are optional.

Q: Which device should I buy?

A: Log in to the Edunet Portal to see device specifications and recommendations. Each device is designed to meet general classroom requirements; however, different devices may suit different pathways. Students that are expecting to use applications for graphics or video editing for subjects such as Art & Media should consider devices such as the ThinkPad L13 or MacBook with higher specifications such as 16GB RAM.

Q: Can I choose a different model?

A: Year 10-12 students can purchase a device elsewhere; however, ICT support for personal devices is limited. Repair and warranty claims will need to be made through your own supplier.

Q: Do I need a laptop case?

A: Laptops should be stored in a protective cover to ensure the potential for damage is minimised. A laptop case can be purchased via Edunet, or you can use your own. Three options have been provided, all of which are durable and will fit in an MCC backpack. The level of durability increases with price, with the Targus TANC case providing the highest level of protection.

Q: Do I need insurance?

A: Lenovo warranties do not cover accidental damage. Purchasing device insurance is optional and is highly recommended to protect your investment. The iBroker insurance option is comprehensive insurance that protects against various circumstances of loss, damage and theft. Lenovo ADP provides insurance for accidental damage under normal use and conditions. Refer to the attached Edunet documentation for specific details.

Q: Do I need a power bank (portable charger)?

A: Students are not permitted to use wall chargers at school. With correct use, laptop batteries generally last the entire school day on a full charge. Power banks are recommended to ensure laptops do not go flat during important tasks. These are optional accessories available via Edunet and other retailers.

Q: What happens after the 3-year warranty expires?

A: The recommended life cycle for laptops within schools and industry is 3 years. After this time performance may decline, especially as new technologies become available. Devices can continue to be used past 3 years; however, any repairs will not be covered under warranty.

Q: What does the College control on student devices?

A: To protect students, and to promote learning, the College will supervise and manage devices. This may include but is not limited to, device restrictions and permissions, management of Apps and restrictions on Internet access when at the College.

Device internet access is not monitored or restricted when accessed on home Wi-Fi or mobile networks. Information regarding methods of improving eSafety at the Family Home, and government guidance regarding this topic can be found here:

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/skills-advice/taming-technology>