Technology Information Sheet

Individualized student technology program

The individualized student technology program allows students/parents to utilize a laptop provided by the school or bring their own device (BYOD). <u>Participation in this program for the 2017-2018 academic year is a two year commitment except for the class of 2018.</u>

Ursuline-provided laptop information:

Ursuline Academy will be utilizing Lenovo as our hardware partner and, more specifically, the Thinkpad 11e Chromebook line of laptops for the 2017-2018 academic year. The Thinkpad 11e Chromebook laptops are designed with education in mind; they have a rigid frame and rubberized surround to help mitigate damage caused by drops. These devices have an integrated 11.6" touch screen. Accidental damage warranties (which covers spills, drops, etc.) are included on all Ursuline-issued laptops, and we have partnered with a local repair center which will handle all our repairs on-site for these devices.

BYOD information:

Students will have the option to bring their own devices for use on campus. Students opting to bring their own devices on campus will be able to access file storage, document collaboration, video editing, and printing services on campus. Ursuline Academy will provide technical support for software and network connectivity issues on these devices, but any hardware-related repairs or service will be handled by the individual. In order to participate in the BYOD program, you must be able to provide one of the following devices:

BYOD - Minimum Specs		
 Windows Laptop: Windows 8.1 or later 4GB ram 6 hour battery 	Apple Laptop: • Mac OS x 10.9 or later • 4GB ram • 6 hour battery	Google Chromebook4GB ram6 hour battery

Based on repair data experience, we recommend the use of laptops that have a screen size of 13 inches or less. We have observed a substantially higher incidence of repair on laptops with a screen size larger than 13 inches. It is recommended that accidental damage insurance is purchased for BYOD devices.

We are currently not supporting the use of tablets or other mobile devices for use as a <u>primary device</u> but will allow these secondary devices to be used on campus and to connect to our wireless network.

Every student is responsible for the technology fee which covers printing costs, network infrastructure, internet access, and software licensing.