



St. Paul's Recommended Laptop Specifications

St. Paul's High School **does not require a laptop** to be purchased for school use, but **students will find it beneficial** to have for in class essay writing, projects and research. Students at St. Paul's are provided a subscription to Microsoft 365 which includes Word, Excel and Teams. Microsoft Teams is used for school and course specific communication.

The school suggests the following **minimum** specifications for laptops:

CPU: Intel i5/Ultra 5 or AMD Ryzen 3 or Mac Neo A18Pro
RAM: 8GB
Storage: 256GB

The school suggests the following **preferred** specifications for laptops:

CPU: Intel i7/Ultra 7 or AMD Ryzen 7 or Apple M5
RAM: 16GB
Storage: 512GB

The following devices are recommended devices. These devices (with the recommended specifications from above) should last the student through their four years at the school. Extended warranty with damage protection is strongly recommended.

1. Windows 11 laptop (Recommended brands: Lenovo, HP, Microsoft, Asus)
2. MacBook Neo (minimum) or MacBook Air 13" (recommended)

If the students want to use a touch device with a stylus, an iPad or Microsoft Surface could replace the laptops above if a keyboard is purchased for the device. **Chromebooks are not recommended** due to limitations in software compatibility, offline functionality and processing power. **Phones are also not recommended as a primary device** because of their limited typing ability and general functionality. If you have any questions, please message Jason Hurton at jhurton@stpauls.mb.ca.

St. Paul's Library Temporary Laptop Lending Policy

1. Library laptops are strictly for temporary and occasional use. They are not meant to be a student's personal note-taking device for everyday use. Library laptops may only be borrowed for one school day and must be returned to the library before the end of the day.
2. They are available only to students who:
 - Have forgotten their own device for the day.
 - Require a laptop because their personal device is under repair but will be returned to them in the very near future.

