

One-to-One Computing

Frequently Asked Questions

Purchase / Cost Information:

Q: What models of iPads are required /suggested? Can families purchase the iPad through the school? Will a standard case be required?

A: Families should have an iPad2 or newer device. We do not recommend the 3G model, which is significantly more expensive and which does not allow for internet filtering. Students may use the iPad mini, but be aware that it is much smaller and may be difficult for students with larger hands to use the device. More information on the devices is available at <http://www.apple.com/ipad/compare/>

To take advantage of the educational discounts Apple provides and the tax-exempt status of the School, families may purchase their child's iPad through Mary Queen. The families will then retain ownership of the device. Families are, of course, also welcome to purchase an iPad on their own. We anticipate offering the 16 gigabyte iPad 2. For school-required applications, a 16 GB iPad2 will be sufficient. We anticipate ordering iPads and cases in early July and will provide information about ordering the iPads and cases shortly.

Students are required to have a case on their iPad 2 or newer. Although we don't require a particular case, we recommend the Kensington KeyFolio 2 Pro. It has shown that it keeps up with the normal wear and tear of a middle school students use.

Q: How are apps distributed to the students and who will pay for the apps?

A: Most of the apps that we will use for school work are free however, a few will have an associated cost. The apps that cost will be paid through your Activity Fee. The school required apps will be purchased by Mary Queen and a unique download code will be provided that students can redeem in their iPad App Store. Once redeemed, the app will automatically be downloaded and installed to the student iPad. Once the app is installed, the app becomes the property of the student, linked to the iTunes account on the device. Mary Queen will not retain the ownership of the app. A list of free apps are listed later in this document and if students want to download the apps in advance of Boot Camp, they are encouraged to do so.

Q: I have an iPad 1, can our child use that rather than buy a new one?

A: iPad First Generation (iPad 1) do not connect to Apple TV, this is the device that allows our students' devices to connect wirelessly, we want all our student devices to connect to our school wireless.

Q: What if I cannot afford to purchase an iPad for my child?

A: While we want each child to have their own iPad device, Mary Queen School will make accommodations for families that need assistance. Please contact the school administration to work out a plan to accommodate your child and your family.

Warranty Information:

Q: Do the iPads come with a warranty?

A: Every iPad comes with one year of hardware repair and 90 days of telephone technical support. This warranty covers normal use issues and technical support. It does not cover accidental damage (drops, screen breakage, spills, full immersion, etc.).

However, we are strongly encouraging families to purchase AppleCare+ accidental damage insurance for their child's iPad to cover a variety of issues not covered by the standard warranty, including broken screens, drops, full immersion and spills. Extended warranties do not cover loss, theft, willful damage, or gross misuse.

AppleCare+ for iPad provides two years of repair coverage and technical support from the original purchase date of the iPad. The plan includes coverage for up to two incidents of accidental damage due to handling of the iPad. You can learn more about AppleCare+ at <http://www.apple.com/support/products/ipad.html>

Q: If we opt out of the extended warranty, what happens if my child breaks the iPad?

A: Families who do not purchase an extended warranty will need to repair or replace the iPad themselves within two weeks. A limited number of temporary loaner iPads will be available through the school.

Caring for the iPads:

Q: How will the iPads be identified?

A: All iPads can be identified by serial number. We will ask that each student share their serial number and Mac Address with the school so that we can catalogue the numbers. All iPads and accessories should be labeled with the student's name.

Q: How will students care for the iPads? Can students personalize their iPad or case?

A: Students should only use a soft cleaning cloth to wipe off the screen. It is NOT safe to use cleaning fluids, water or anything with a rough texture to clean the device. All students may use a case of their choice but we recommend a Kensington Keyfolio Pro 2. Students may decorate their cases. We do insist that any personalization of the iPad be appropriate for a Catholic School. If there is any question as to whether the personalization would be allowed at school then it is best not to do it. As noted above, it is suggested that the case and the iPad be labeled with the student's name.

Q: Where will the iPad be stored during the school day and after school?

A: When they are not being used, iPads should be securely stored in students' lockers at all times while at school. While at home, students should keep their iPad in a safe and secure place as determined by their parents. Students should not leave their iPads in a vehicle or other location that experiences extreme temperatures.

Q: Where can students use their iPads while at school?

A: Students are responsible for the use and care of their iPads at all times. They may use them in most places while on campus. iPads may not be used during lunch or before school in the gym.

Q: How should students carry the iPad to and from school?

A: Students should be able to slide the iPad safely into the case provided by White, Greer and Maggard Orthodontics and then placed in their backpacks. Student should exercise care when transporting the iPad in a backpack by setting the backpack down carefully and avoiding dropping or placing heavy items on the backpack.

Q: What is the estimated battery life on the iPad?

A: The battery life on the iPad is estimated at 10 hours. Adjusting the screen brightness to a lower setting and closing open apps will also preserve battery life over the course of a school day. Apple does provide replacement batteries for a fee, but Apple must install the batteries themselves. More information is available at:

<http://www.apple.com/batteries/replacements.html>.

iPad Use:

Q: Will Mary Queen be able to filter objectionable internet content?

A: Students will be directed and required to place their iPads on “airplane mode” when the internet is not being used in class for instructional purposes, this includes non-instructional time such as recess, class change time, etc. Airplane mode indicates that students are not accessing the internet. When students are directed to use the internet in the classroom, they will be accessing the internet through Mary Queen’s filtering software which will screen all objectionable content. If a family has purchased a 3G model, however, the student will have unfiltered access to the internet, and therefore will have no firewall or filtering capabilities. We do not recommend buying a 3G iPad for cost and security reasons.

Q: Will students sign and Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)?

A: Yes, students will sign and AUP for iPad and all technology use at Mary Queen School. Parents will be asked to sign their child’s AUP as well so that you will have the opportunity to discuss appropriate use of technology with your children.

Q: Will students be allowed to let a friend use their iPad?

A: No, students should not use another student’s iPad. The devices are individually owned.

Q: Can students use the iPad camera?

A: The camera on the iPad can only be used under the direction and with permission of a faculty member. The camera will be an invaluable tool for classroom projects. At no time may students take pictures of other students or during the school day without permission.

Q: Can students print from their iPads?

A: At this time we do not have air printing available for student owned iPads.

Q: Do we have to purchase electronic textbooks?

A: We are working closely with the teachers and vendors in Science to determine availability of e-textbooks for the iPad. Some of the consumable texts such as Wordly Wise that are available on the iPad, we will use. Students will be given a unique code to download once school has begun to use to download the consumable text.

Q: What are the student responsibilities?

A: The students should bring their iPad to school each day, charged. We ask that chargers are left at home (they all look alike!), if an emergency charge is needed, we have a few extra cords at school that can be used. The iPad is to be treated with respect like all other devices and not to be shared with other students.

Below is a list of free apps that students may download on their iPads in advance of school, if you would like. We have grouped them if your child wants to put them into folders on the front page of your iPad. If you are unsure of how to download an app or to place them in folders, don't worry, we will show you how to do this at Boot Camp!

Apps for All

Study Blue
Edmodo
Quizlet
Cloud On
DropBox
RenWeb

Draw Free
Inspiration
Sketch
Scan
Doceri
WhiteBoard

Pic Collage
Nearpod
Stop Animator
Socrative

Apps for Science

Earth Science Challenge
BioIQ
Science Glossary
Physical Science Glossary
Periodic Table
Earth Viewer
NASA Science
Ocean Science

LA Apps

Free Books
I Books
Wordly Wise Flashcards
Spelling City
Kindle App
Dictionary

Library Apps

Follett Destiny
Destiny Quest
Follett e Reader
Brain Hive e Reader

Apps for Social Studies

American History Pearson Test Prep
Early Jamestown
TapQuiz Maps
Mythology
BYDK (Bet you did not know – History Channel)
StuckOnEarth
TourWrist
Presidents
Flags and Capitals

GeoBee
EarthViewer
Stack the States Lite
European Exploration
American History Pearson Games
Stack the Countries Lite
Presidents Lite
GeoQuiz
Pass the Past

Math Apps

Kahn Academy
Free Gra Calc
iFactor
Point Plotter
Math 8
Tinker Box
TanZen Lite
Hands-On1 Lite
Geoboard
iOrnament Lite
Scorekeeper
Gizmo Sampler
Times Table
5 Dice
Undecided

Spanish Apps

Lite English-Spanish Dictionary (Word Magic)
iTranslate
Spanish Dictionary Free+
Learn Spanish Verbs (Brainscape)
Learn Spanish Vocabulary (Brainscape)
Learn Spanish (US) Basic 400 Words (Brainscape)
Learn Spanish Verbs (Brainscape)
Learn Spanish Free – AccelaStudy
Sock Puppets