BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) GUIDELINE

UISG Mission Statement

UISG is an inquiry-driven learning community that embraces the uniqueness of all and commits to an IB education.

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The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who help create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. To this end, the organization works with schools, governments, and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment. These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate, and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

BYOD Programme

UISG values the dynamic and meaningful infusion of technology in teaching and learning throughout its curriculum. The goal of the school's BYOD programme is to expand 21st-century learning opportunities in an equitable manner for all students. These crucial opportunities, and the skills developed in their pursuit, are essential as students prepare today for the roles they will have tomorrow.

Hardware and Software Requirements for Classes:

2021-2022 Student/Family-owned Devices

YEAR 3-5 STUDENTS are recommended to bring an iPad for use in school.
 	
 • Device Recommendation
     ➢ iPad compatible with iOS 15 (released in 2021) or later, such as the current 10.2" iPad (9th generation at this writing)
     ➢ You can visit https://www.apple.com/ipados to learn more
     ➢ Built-in apps on iPad are compatible with teachers' curriculum and development.
 	
 • Device other than the recommendation
     ➢ An android tablet running Android R (version 11) released in 2020 or later

> Those tablets are required to install an anti-virus app and apply the latest security fixes to protect the security of the devices and the school network. It is the responsibility of parents/students to purchase, install and update the anti-virus software. Students using those devices are required to bring their tablets to the IT Department to check their installation status. If no anti-virus software is found the IT Department will install a free version on behalf of parents/students, but the responsibility remains on parents/students.

> Compatible apps on Android for classes
> ▪ Install equivalent apps on Android that are compatible with teachers' curriculum and development. Current class material and demonstration are prepared by teachers using the Apple suite (Pages, Numbers, Keynote, iMovie, GarageBand, etc.) Parents and Guardians are responsible for purchasing and maintaining comparable apps for student use.
> ▪ The purchase, the costs, and ongoing updates of the apps, anti-virus app, and OS will be the responsibility of students/parents
> ▪ Parents will be responsible for teaching their children how to use those equivalent apps for class projects
> ▪ IT support and troubleshooting on Android apps and devices will NOT be provided at UISG

- ▪ Students in grade 5 that enroll halfway through the year have an option to purchase a laptop to prepare for year 6. This is to help families avoid having to purchase two devices within a year period. (Tablet for year 5 and Laptop for year 6).

YEAR 6-12 STUDENTS are recommended to bring a Mac laptop for use in school.

- Device Recommendations
  - > Year 6-8 MacBook Air or MacBook
  - > Year 9-12 MacBook Pro 13"
  - > MacBook compatible with macOS 12 (Monterey) released in 2021 or later
  - > You can visit https://support.apple.com/en-hk/HT201475 to learn more

- Device other than the recommendations
  - > Windows laptop running Windows 10 or later, or any other platform running the latest OS

  - > Those laptops are required to install an anti-virus program and apply the latest security patches to protect the security of the laptops and the school network. It is the responsibility of parents/students to purchase, install and update the anti-virus software. Students using those devices are required to bring their laptops to the IT Department to check their

installation status. If no anti-virus software is found IT Department will install a free version on behalf of parents/students, but the responsibility remains on parents/students.

- ➢ Compatible software on laptops
  - ▪ Install equivalent software that is compatible with teachers' curriculum and development. Parents/Guardians are responsible for purchasing and maintaining comparable apps for student use.
  - ▪ The purchase, the costs, and ongoing updates of the software, anti-virus program, and OS will be the responsibility of students/parents
  - ▪ Parents will be responsible for teaching their children how to use those equivalent software applications for class projects
  - ▪ IT support and troubleshooting on Windows software and devices will NOT be provided at UISG