

2021-2022 Device Options

As indicated in your acceptance letter, MEI Middle School is a 1:1 school meaning each student is required to come with a device by September 8, 2021.

Abbotsford Staples offers a 2-year warranty that includes dropping devices. This is a great option for many Middle School students. We urge you to get protective cases for your student's device. We have seen many devices go down over the years, simply because they didn't have a case.

The following list of acceptable devices are the only ones allowed at MEI Middle. Please do not purchase a device that falls outside of these options.

Parents should be aware that your registration at MEI Middle comes with the **Office 365 package**, which will allow your student(s) to work at school, store their work in the Cloud, and then access all that they do at school from any device at home. Families **should not** purchase any Office or Anti-virus packages – they will be included with their device/MEI enrolment.

Although you are free to purchase your student's device from anywhere, Staple Abbotsford is working on creating a competitive price list for MEI Families. As soon as this is available, we will send it out.

Options:

Surface Pro/Keyboard/Stylus (all models)

- + Fast processing
- + Tablet functions allow for multi-use (filming, using the stylus, laptop use, etc.)
- + Has an operating system that allows user to download full programs (photoshop, etc.)
- + Has proven to last many years without slowing down
- + USB Port and expandable memory

- Price is on the higher end

HP 15-dw3007ca Laptop (SKU: 2994875)

- + The price is more competitive
- + Has a big screen

- + Will perform the basic functions needed at school
- Not ideal for filming or stylus work
- Doesn't typically last as long as the other devices

IPad Pro/Keyboard/Apple Pencil (all models)

- + Fast processing
- + Tablet functions allow for multi-use (filming, using the stylus, laptop use, etc.)
- + Has proven to last many years without slowing down
- + Many students are familiar with IOS
- + Very fast processing
- Student would need an iTunes account to download apps
- Price is on the higher end
- No USB

MacBook Pro (all models)

- + Fast processing
- + Has proven to last many years without slowing down
- + Big screen
- Price is on the higher end
- Doesn't allow for filming or stylus

iPad 10.2" 128gb/Keyboard/Apple Pencil (only 8th Generation or newer, minimum 128gb)

- + Fast Processing
- + Proven to last many years without slowing down
- + Many students familiar with IOS
- + Tablet functions allow for multi-use (filming, using the stylus, laptop use, etc.)
- Student would need an iTunes account to download apps
- No USB