

iPad 1:1 Program FAQ's

Q. What will the 1:1 program cost each family?

- A.** The 1:1 program cost will be \$275.00 per year, plus any damage or replacement costs (see below). This fee includes the use of an iPad, the purchase of required Apps, a protective cover, MDM (mobile device management software), and Apple Care.

Q. Who owns the iPad?

- A.** Episcopal owns the iPad. The fee does not imply a transfer of ownership to students or parents at the end of the 8th-grade year.

Q. May students opt out of the Middle School 1:1 iPad program?

- A.** No, students use the iPad in most classes, they may not opt-out of using them. We encourage all students to maximize the use of the iPad to reduce the number of items in their backpacks.

Q. Can students install their own apps?

- A.** No, students are not allowed to install apps. Episcopal, as owner and manager of the iPads, will distribute the apps to the iPads via the Mobile Device Management Program. Students can install approved apps assigned to them from the school located in "Student Portal" on the iPad.

Q. What about classroom novels and library books that are required in some classes?

- A.** Some teachers may require e-books. E-books will be distributed via the MDM and assigned to the students.

Q. My student already has an iPad. Do they have to use the one from school?

- A.** Yes. All students must use an iPad issued and managed by Episcopal. This ensures that the correct applications are installed and that the configuration will match our school setup.

Q. Will the Internet be filtered on the iPad?

- A.** While on campus, the Episcopal issued iPads will be filtered using our current filtering client. While off site we have installed JAMF Safe Internet on the iPads.

Q. Am I required to have wireless Internet access at home for the iPad program?

- A.** All iPads come with built-in Wi-Fi. We recommend that all families have Internet access in order for students to use the device at home. Most documents are saved in the cloud on iPads, it is important that the students have reliable Internet access to complete assignments.

Q. If a student's iPad is sent off for repairs, will they be at a disadvantage in class?

- A.** No. We will have spare iPads available for checkout while their iPad is being repaired.

Q. Won't the iPads distract students in class?

- A.** Teachers will be able to adjust to the use of the devices in class and monitor student activity via Apple Classroom. Episcopal will offer professional development for faculty members on

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how to best utilize the device in the classroom. In addition, there may be iPad-free classes, periods, or times when the iPad will not be a core class component. Some courses will use the iPad more than others.

Q. What should our family do to make sure the iPad is being used wisely at home?

- A.** Each family should make decisions regarding iPad use at home based on their own philosophies.

We offer these suggestions:

- Set a power-down time when your child needs to stop using the iPad. For example, 9 p.m. may work for older students while 8 p.m. may be appropriate for younger students.
- Have your child use the iPad in a public area of your home and not in his or her room.
- If you have concerns about your child using the iPad at night, put the iPad where your child cannot access it.
- Use tips from Common Sense Media like the [Family Media Agreement](#).
- Make sure the iPad is charged each night and ready for school in the morning.

Q. Will the iPad come with a case?

- A.** Yes, all student iPads will come with a case provided by the school. Cases should never be removed by the student and are expected to be returned at the end of the year in good condition.

Q. Will the iPad come with a keyboard or stylus?

- A.** A keyboard and stylus will not be included in the iPad 1:1 program fee. We will provide a limited classroom set of keyboards for teachers to use. Parents may purchase Bluetooth keyboards as an optional accessory. Students are allowed to bring a keyboard if necessary. Students can bring an Apple Pencil, but know that the school is not responsible if the Apple Pencil is lost.

Q. When will students receive their iPads?

- A.** Students will receive iPads at the start of school.

****More information regarding the iPad program will be distributed during the year. All rules for the iPad program will be detailed in our [iPad Handbook](#).****

For more questions, please email helpdesk@ehsbr.org.