

Senior School Student Requirements

Laptops

For the 2018-19 academic year ISU Senior School students in Grades 6-11 are required to bring any Mac laptop to school as long as it fits within the minimum technical specifications below. If you have any questions regarding specifications please contact Dennis Ssengooba at dssengooba@isumail.ac.ug.

- Processor: i5
- System: 64-bit, English
- Screen: 11"–13" Anti-Glare LED-backlit screen
- RAM: 4GB
- Storage: 128 GB minimum SSD
- Battery: + 6 hours

Students will have their laptops centrally managed while at school, meaning in addition to the applications that come with a Mac laptop, the following will be available for Senior School students when needed:

- Up to date anti-virus
- Office 2011
- Adobe Design Package (CS4 or higher)
- Comic Life
- Scratch2
- Google Earth
- VLC Media Player
- YouTube Downloader
- Java
- Flash
- Google Chrome
- Firefox

We recommend the following laptop: Apple MacBook Air 13"

<https://www.apple.com/lae/macbook-air/>

General

- Named pencil case containing: Pencils, eraser, pencil sharpener, ruler, coloured pencils, black or blue pen, white-out, highlighter, glue stick, small pair of scissors.
- USB (memory stick/flash drive): very useful for many lessons, please make sure this is labelled.
- Expanding file folder or ring binders (with two rings): Most subjects require students to keep loose documents. An expanding file is very good for keeping students organised. If students prefer a ring binder then they should preferably have two or three that they use for all subjects. Students should also have dividers for ring binders and a pad of lined paper.
- A small pair of headphones for use with the laptop
- Combination padlock for the lockers (preferable)

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English as an Additional Language

EAL (English as an Additional Language) students – any student that has not studied the English Language before or has been identified as an EAL student needs to have a paper copy of a dictionary that translates their own language into English. Students cannot use electronic translators in assessments and tests that are set by the IB.

Mathematics

Scientific Calculator - To standardise the calculator we use with students in the Senior School and help students prepare for using the TI-84 from Grade 9 and eAssessment in Grade 10, we would like families in Grades 6-8 to buy the TI-30XS. A link to this type of calculator is [here](#). This calculator cannot be bought in Uganda. Please consider buying this calculator if travelling this summer. If you are unable to purchase a TI-30XS please equip your child with a scientific calculator which can be bought in most supermarkets in Kampala (the Casio fx -82 MS or the fx-100 MS are good alternatives).

Please contact myppcoordinator@isumail.ac.ug or kjones@isumail.ac.ug if you have any questions about calculators.

Physical Education Kit

- Any athletic shirt that can be used for a variety of sports (preferably a white t shirt)
- Shorts or athletic pants that are flexible for a variety of activities. Shorts or tights that are higher than mid-thigh are not acceptable. Volleyball tights are also not acceptable.
- No-marketing athletic shoes that are indoor court friendly (no indoor football shoes)
- Swimsuit and towel
- Water bottle, hat (labelled) and sunscreen at all time times for outdoor activities
- Students are encouraged to buy a house T-Shirt (Water, Fire, Air and Earth) to be worn at house events such as sports day. Yellow ISU Leopard T-Shirts are also available for purchase if required.

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