

Senior School Student Requirements 2026-27

Dress Code

Please review our ISU Senior School Dress Code by clicking [HERE](#). Please ensure you have/purchase clothing that meets the dress code requirements.

General Requirements

- Named pencil case containing: Pencils, eraser, pencil sharpener, ruler, coloured pencils, black or blue pen, highlighter. Optional: glue stick, small pair of scissors
- Expanding file folder or ring binders (with two rings) and a pad of lined paper. Exercise books for each subject are provided by the school
- Headphones for use with laptop
- Combination lock for student locker
- Water bottle (labeled)
- EAL (English as an Additional Language) students: a dictionary that translates their own language into English.

Laptops

For the academic year 2026-7, ISU Senior School students in Grades 6-12 are required to bring a MacBook laptop to school as long as it fits within the minimum specifications below. If you have any questions regarding specifications, please contact our IT Director, Mr Brian, by email <bbugagga@isumail.ac.ug>.

- Display: 13.3 Inches
- Processor: Apple M1 Chip
- Storage: 256GB
- Battery: 8+ hours
- Ram: 8GB

In addition to the applications that come with a MacBook laptop, the following will be available for Senior School students when needed:

- MS Office
 - Word, PowerPoint, Excel
- Adobe Design Package
 - Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Canva Pro

To ensure compatibility and ease of use at school, we recommend purchasing the entry-level MacBook Air.

Pool Laptops for Rental: ISU has a limited number of pool laptops that can be rented for \$395 or \$345 per year (depending on the age of the laptop). If you are interested in leasing a school laptop for your child, please complete the [Pool Laptop Request Form](#).

Mathematics

Grades 6-8

Any Scientific Calculator – for example, TI-30XS, Casio fx-82MS, fx-100MS (labeled with student name).

Grades 9-12

Graphic Display Calculator (GDC) - TI-Nspire CX II - non-CAS calculator. These can be bought from the ISU Business Office for \$180 and must be labeled with the student's name.

It is imperative for all Grade 9-12 students to have the correct GDC as knowing how to use the calculator and its functions is a requirement of the IB MYP and DP.

Physical Education

Please ensure your child's name is on all their belongings

- A change of clothes appropriate for Physical Education (eg. Activewear)
 - An ISU T-shirt, ISSEA team shirt or ISU House team shirts are required during the PHE class. All shirts can be purchased from the ISU Business Office. Students are encouraged to buy a House T-Shirt when they have been allocated to a house, to be worn at house events such as sports day.
 - Shorts or athletic pants/leggings that are flexible for a variety of activities and are considered active-wear. Shorts or tights that are higher than mid-thigh are not acceptable. Volleyball tights are also not acceptable.
 - Non-marking athletic shoes that are indoor court friendly (no indoor football shoes). Rubber soled running shoes (trainers) are preferred.
 - Swimsuit, towel, flip-flops during aquatic activities. Goggles and caps are also recommended. School swimming costumes are available for purchase from the Business Office.
 - Water bottle, hat (labeled) and sunscreen are required for outdoor activities.

Please do not bring:

- Valuable items that are not needed for learning. *Please note that any valuable items that are required for school such as the laptop, must be kept in the school locker when not in use.*
- Mobile phones: Middle School students should keep mobile phones in their bag or locker during the school day; High School students may use mobile phones during breaks and lunch if needed; at all other times, phones should be placed in bags or lockers and not on the student's person.
- Toys, games, materials that are non-educational and not required for learning.
- Your own Wi-Fi router or VPN. Students sign an IT Technology Responsible Use Policy at the beginning of the year.