

# Heathmont College Recommended Notebook Program



Heathmont College works extensively with staff and students to integrate notebook devices within the curriculum, making them a valuable learning tool in the classroom. Devices the school to provide learning experiences and better outcomes for students.

This document outlines the details of the School-Recommended laptops purchased through Heathmont College's portal, The most up to date copy of this document can be found on the <a href="Heathmont College website">Heathmont College website</a>
Found under our "Notebook Program" page

The Heathmont Notebook Program teaches students to confidently use their notebook for education at school and home. The program aims to prepare them for lifelong learning in today's global knowledge-based society.

Please spend time thoroughly reading this information booklet and familiarise yourself with all the components and benefits of the Heathmont College Notebook Program.

There is also a similar **Heathmont College BYOD Notebook program** if you decide you want the flexibility to purchase a model outside of this Recommended Notebook Program. This guide is also viewable on our website.

# **Device Selection**

Before the selection of the device, input was obtained from a range of stakeholders and vendors to ensure the selected device would remain current and appropriate for use in an educational environment over the recommended 3-year lifespan.

- Portability
- Weight
- Battery Life
- Performance
- Durability
- Warranty / Repair Support
- Price
- School integration

#### Year 7-9 - Min Spec



#### Lenovo 11e Netbook 5th Gen

Supporting the minimum specifications that can support with Heathmont's eLearning curriculum.

This is a budget friendly laptop due to the lack of touchscreen and lower speed hardware. Still amazing value Celeron Processor, 4GB RAM, 128GB HDD, 10hr Battery Year 7-9 purchase only.

#### Year 7-9 - Mid Spec



#### Acer Travelmate B311 Spin

A great balance of price and performance. This model is faster than the 5th gen model above but features a higher price due to the inclusion of a touchscreen and durability Intel Pentium, 8GB RAM, 256GB HDD, 10hr Battery Year 7-9 purchase only.

#### All Years - Mid Spec



#### Lenovo ThinkPad L13 (Mid Spec)

This laptop provides more power to complete more tasks simultaneously and wont be as subject to slowing down over time due to (again) better hardware.

i5 Processor, 8GB RAM, 256GB HDD, 14hr Battery Available for all year levels to purchase.





### Lenovo ThinkPad L13 (Media Spec)

If your child is passionate about Media, Film, or Photography this laptop features top performance to utilise software provided in those courses.

17 Processor, 16GB RAM, 512GB HDD, 11hr Battery Available for all year levels to purchase.

# Frequently Asked Questions



#### What Software is needed on the notebook?

With the help of the Department of Education and Training, Heathmont College provides students with all of the necessary software for basic classwork including Office 365, and Adobe Creative Cloud licensed via their school email address.

There may be additional software learning resources purchasable through your child's booklist.

### Do I need to purchase antivirus?

Microsoft Windows 10 and 11 comes pre-installed with Windows Defender suite for free, which is more than suitable for the purpose of protecting your laptop.

Each family can evaluate their own need for additional / 3<sup>rd</sup> party protection.

### Do I need to purchase insurance?

LWT provides an insurance option when purchasing of a notebook though their portal. This is completely up to the family if they wish to purchase this.

If purchasing insurance, read the terms and conditions carefully, as there may be stipulations that change over time, there may be limits on the number of claims in a year, or an excess free for any damages done

If opting out of insurance an adequate protective case is highly recommended.

### Who handles warranties and repairs?

Warranty claims (manufacturer defects) are always resolved <u>free of charge</u>, provided there is no visible damage on the device. (any visible damage will void a warranty regardless if it was the cause of the problem) This applies to all notebooks purchased under the Recommended Notebook Program regardless of the issue, your child can bring their notebook to the ICT Office for assessment

Any damage, insurance claims or paid repairs are arranged by our IT team with our partnered laptop provider (LWT) Where we will arrange a repair on the families behalf.

For repairs not covered under either warranty or insurance, a quote will be provided which is payable by the student's parents/guardians.

### Can I purchase my own device instead?

Yes, Please read out BYOD notebook program on our website to ensure the device your child brings mees our requirements for BYOD

The major difference being that warranties and repairs will not be handled by Heathmont College in the case you bring your own device.

### Can students access inappropriate internet content while at school?

Heathmont College implements an Internet Firewall provided by the Department of Education for web filtering during school hours only. This ensures that students do not have access to inappropriate internet content during school hours.

#### Can students access the internet from home?

Home internet connection is not supplied by the school. However, if there is an existing internet connection at home the notebook can be connected as used for personal use at home. The notebook behaves exactly like any other device would.

### Who is responsible for backing up data on the notebook?

It is the responsibility of all students to backup all school work on all devices (purchased through school, or elsewhere) and ensure they keep a backup of all important files.

It is recommended that families utilise an inexpensive USB external storage device for this purpose. Students also have access to Microsoft OneDrive, an online cloud-based storage facility which is also recommended to be configured by students.

# Are there any agreements or documents that needs signing?

Heathmont College ensures families and students are aware of our Acceptable ICT Usage Agreement. All students will agree to the terms of acceptable Device usage while on campus.

The office will provide this form upon enrollment, however if you are interested in reading this document, ask our front office, or consult our policies on the school website.