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Hilliard iPad Program

iPad Specifications



Recommended Specifications

All students in Prep to Year 6 will require an iPad that is capable of running iOS 18. If your children are currently part of the program, their current device may be adequate, however please note that some apps may not work and your child may not be able to fully participate in all digital opportunities. If you are purchasing a device, we strongly recommend that you purchase a model that is still supported by Apple.

iPad Model	Supported iOS	Apple Support	EQ Support
iPad Mini All Gen	Not appropriate for school use		
iPad Gen 1-5	Not appropriate for school use		
iPad Air Gen 1-2	Not appropriate for school use		
iPad Gen 6-7	17.7.1	No	Yes
iPad Air Gen 3-7	18 (Ongoing)	Yes	Yes
iPad Gen 8-11	18 (Ongoing)	Yes	Yes

- **Current supported model**
- **iOS 18**
- **Minimum 128GB Storage**
- **No Cellular/Mobile connection**

Cellular/Mobile Network Coverage



In line with Department of Education policy, devices with cellular or mobile network capability are not permitted at school. This includes mobile phones, mobile broadband, and iPads with SIM or 4G/5G capability, as these connections bypass school internet filtering. To protect our network and ensure safe online access, only Wi-Fi-only iPads are supported in the Hilliard iPad Program.

Headphones



Hilliard recommends DJ-style, volume-limited over-ear headphones with a microphone. These typically cap sound at 89 dB—safe for extended use while still allowing students to hear surrounding sounds and normal conversation.

Protective Case

We strongly recommend a high-quality case and screen protector to protect your student's iPad and your investment. iPads are carried throughout the school day and are at risk of being dropped or bumped.

Look for a case built to absorb impact rather than one chosen only for its appearance. A handle makes it easier for students to carry their device safely, while a built-in stand encourages better posture when working at a desk. Always confirm the case and screen protector match your iPad model for the best fit and protection.



Warranty and AppleCare+

Warranty

Many retailers will offer an instore warranty. The duration and coverage of these will vary store to store. Please read the terms and conditions of the scheme carefully so you know what you are covered for.

AppleCare+

To ensure your child's Apple device remains functional throughout the school year, parents should consider AppleCare+. This plan covers accidental damage, providing up to two incidents every 12 months, and includes 24/7 technical support.

AppleCare+ also offers convenient repair options, helping to minimise any disruption to your child's learning. This service can help reduce potential repair costs and keep their device in good working order.

Finance

The school cannot enter into any finance arrangements with families for devices. Any families facing significant financial hardships can contact the Principal to discuss possible support options.

Many vendors offer finance plans, hiring and/or leasing options. Purchase, finance and lease agreements are private arrangements between the parent\caregiver and the vendor. The school takes no responsibility for any private finance arrangements.

The School takes no responsibility for any information provided on the vendor portals which are provided as a service to parents/carers. Vendors are provided information about the Schools HIP - Hilliard iPad Program, including minimum specifications and required items, and vendors have sole responsibility for the offerings they include on their portals. Parents/carers need to ensure that minimum specifications and requirements for the HIP - Hilliard iPad Program are met when considering purchasing items through any vendor.

Apple Store, Carindale

- K-12 Education Program: Visit the Carindale Apple Store at Westfield Carindale or call 3199 2200. Identify yourself as a Hilliard State School parent/carer and that you wish to purchase a device for school.

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