

# Learning with Technology

## High School Expectations

2026/2027



Dear Families,

In the High School at AIS, we follow a BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) Program that requires the use of a laptop. All students will use laptops to write when researching, creating, and documenting their schoolwork.

Technology in classes is driven by learning and students are expected to use their devices only for educational purposes. Below you will find the technology guidelines as well as advice on how to support them in practicing some of the skills they will need in High School. **Please note that student cell phones are not an acceptable replacement or substitute for a laptop.**

| Device and Accessories   |   |                                    |
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| <b>Device recommendations:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a laptop (MacBook or Windows)</li></ul> <b>Accessories:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Working charger with a 3-pin plug</li><li>A bag which can safely carry their laptop</li><li>Personal headphones</li></ul> | Device Specifications - Recommended Minimum |                                    |
|  | <b>Windows Laptop</b>                       | <b>MacBook</b>                     |
|  | I5 processor 13 generation or above         | M2 or above                        |
|  | 8GB RAM                                     | 8GB RAM                            |
|  | 256GB (SDD Recommended)                     | 256GB (SSD or NVMe)                |
|  | Most recent Windows ( <b>Updated</b> )      | Most recent IOS ( <b>Updated</b> ) |
| Internet Access  |   |                                    |
| Internet access is important as it allows your child to share work with their teacher, classmates, families, do research, and more. Our clean filtered internet enables safe access to approved content when students are connected to school wi-fi.   |   |                                    |
| Classroom teachers will assist students with connecting to the wi-fi. Students who were previously connected using the same device will automatically reconnect at the beginning of the school year.   |   |                                    |
| Personal cell phone hotspots and personal internet routers <u>will not</u> be permitted at any time.   |   |                                    |
| Software, Email and Passwords  |   |                                    |
| Your child will need to access <b>Microsoft Office 365</b> with their school email account.  |   |                                    |
| <b>All Office 365 applications (Teams, Word, Excel, PowerPoint) are available online.</b> They can be found on the Student section of the AIS website at <a href="https://www.ais.edu.kw/students/">https://www.ais.edu.kw/students/</a>   |   |                                    |
| Email addresses and passwords for Office 365 can be found by visiting the Parents AIS Hub at <a href="https://parents.ais.edu.kw/">https://parents.ais.edu.kw/</a>   |   |                                    |
| Key Skills to Practice   |   |                                    |
| Using the laptop:  |   |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Can your child check they are connected to the internet?  |   |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Can your child open Microsoft Teams, Word, Power Point and Excel?   |   |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Can your child access their username and password in Plus Portals?  |   |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Can your child sign into their school email account?  |   |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Can your child access Office 365 tutorials <a href="#">here</a> ?   |   |                                    |