

School policy for loading software, wireless network connection and virus protection for notebook computers not purchased through our negotiated agreement with Acer for 2008

The recommended model for 2008 is the ACER TravelMate 4720, supplied through ComputerCorp.

If you choose to purchase your daughter's notebook through another provider, there will be additional charges to have the appropriate educational software and school-approved virus protection loaded onto her notebook and for the wireless LAN capability to be programmed. You will also forgo Collegiate's free service back-up. There will be charges for all of these services because they are not covered by our negotiated package with Acer.

Having said this, we will make every effort to have your daughter's computer compatible with the School network, but there will of necessity be charges associated with the work undertaken.

Software purchased by the School for particular year levels or for all students

The software, for which the school has purchased appropriate licensing and which can be loaded onto student notebook computers, includes the programs listed below.

Maths: *Maths 300, Maths Circus, Geometer's Sketchpad, Maths Helper, Numbers Up!*

SOSE: *Map Puzzles, Crossing the Mountains, First Fleet*

English: *SuperSpell, Aussie Spellforce, Reasonable*

LOTE: *French and German language Market, All-in-One*

Online Encyclopaedias: *McGraw Hill Science & Technology*

Cross curricular: *SchoolKit, Crossword Genius, Typing Tournament, Citation4, PhotoStory, MovieMaker2, PhotoPlus, WebPlus,, ClickView Player, Picasa.*

The cost to parents for loading such programs would be the technician time to do so, at a rate of \$45 per hour. **There is no additional cost for the actual software.**

Software Programs that need to be purchased by students

The following software programs are part of the School notebook computer package for 2008, and you will need to purchase these if you buy your daughter's notebook computer through another supplier.

- *Microsoft Windows XP Pro (NOT Windows Vista)*
- *Microsoft Office 2007 Professional Academic Edition*
- *eTrust Innoculate/VET* antivirus software

Windows Vista vs Windows XP Professional

Windows XP Home, **any** Windows Vista Home products and Apple Macintosh computers are unable to connect to and utilise Collegiate's internal network fully and will not be supported.

Windows Vista Business or Vista Enterprise editions are not currently considered stable and/or secure enough, by almost all corporate entities (including all Tasmanian independent schools), to be connected to a "domain based" network. When the Vista Business and Enterprise editions are more mature in these respects the school will install Vista Business free of charge. At present, any computers with Windows XP Home and any Windows Vista versions **MUST** have Windows XP Professional installed.

Machines purchased with Windows Vista Business are also licensed for Windows XP Professional. **If** the reseller can provide a Windows XP Professional "Recovery" CD/DVD, this must be installed. A non-hardware specific version of Windows XP Professional may be utilised but there is no guarantee the full functionality of the computer will available. The Technology Office can provide some assistance in this area at a rate of \$45 per hour. This can be very time consuming and expensive and is not recommended.

NO VERSION OF WINDOWS VISTA IS CURRENTLY SUPPORTED ON THE SCHOOL NETWORK

