



Christian Life Schools

2012/2013 Apple iPad™ Education

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Will every student get an iPad?

A. Beginning in the Fall of 2012, every student at CLS (from PreK-12) will be using the Apple iPad in the classroom as part of the CLS educational experience. During Phase 1 of the implementation, each student will not be issued his or her "own" iPad. The iPad experience will be customized for each grade level, depending on the applications and curricula currently available, the coursework being taught, and the age of the student.

It is our goal to phase in a 1:1 iPad implementation (where each student is issued his or her own iPad) beginning with the older grade levels as soon as Fall of 2013; however, those specifics and timelines will be released at a later date. It is also our desire to implement a 1:1 pilot program for a limited number of students as soon as Fall of 2012.



Q. Will the students take the iPads home?

A. At this time, the iPads will remain at the school and used primarily in the classrooms. There may be instances where students will need to take the iPad home for required coursework or homework during certain times of the year at certain grade levels. Parents will be notified if/when this is the case.

Q. Will the iPads replace textbooks?

A. The iPad is not replacing all of our current textbooks at this time, since all curricula is not currently available for the iPad. It is our desire to move forward with the integration of iPad augmented education at a pace that makes the most sense based on Textbook Publisher Timelines as well as Educational App creators.

Q. How is this being funded?

A. This initiative is being funded by your child's tuition, private donations, private and public grants, and partially by the institution of a \$100/year technology fee.

Q. Will students be responsible for purchasing their own apps and/or interactive textbooks?

A. Not at this time. CLS will supply all necessary apps and textbooks for the iPads. It is important that students do not buy nor load any personal apps onto the iPads.

Q. Can students purchase their own iPad or bring their own iPad to school if they already have one?

A. No. Due to the importance of creating a consistent learning experience for all students at each specific grade level, it requires that all content on the iPads be uniform and centrally managed. Therefore, students may only use school-issued iPads in the classroom.

Q. What happens if a student damages or loses an iPad? Is there going to be insurance available?

A. Each student must take responsibility for the care of the iPad while it is in his/her possession, both at school and at home. If the iPad is lost, stolen, or damaged in any way, the student is responsible for the cost to repair or replace that iPad. CLS is currently considering offering a "No Fault" Insurance Policy, which would provide a replacement for a damaged iPad; however, this policy would not cover loss or theft. More information is to come on this.

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Q. What about technical problems with the iPads?

A. Any errors or problems with the iPad should be reported as soon as possible. This can be done by informing the office/administration about the issue so it can be addressed in a timely manner. All syncing of the device will be handled through the school to ensure identical applications and configurations are found on every device to maximize the potential of the device.

Q. Why was the iPad chosen for this program?

A. While there are several different technology "tools" to explore, it was determined that the iPad is presently the "tool" with the greatest potential to meet the individual needs of students and provide a smooth integration into the CLS technology environment. After considering the cost, limitations, available applications, and portability, the iPad was chosen as the optimal device for our students. Overall, the iPad is both an effective and economical way to integrate technology into the education of our students. Apple recently announced a landmark partnership with McGraw-Hill, Pearson Education, and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. These top Educational Publishers are responsible for over 90% of K-12 content and are already creating amazing interactive digital textbooks for all grade levels.



Q. Where can I learn more about the iPad?

A. You can learn about the iPad directly from Apple - visit <http://www.apple.com/ipad>

Q. Where can I learn about how the iPad is being used in education?

A. Start with the Apple education site - visit <http://www.apple.com/education/ipad/>

Q. Are there accessories we will need to purchase for use with the iPad?

A. Yes. Every student will be required to have a working headset for listening to interactive content (video and audio) on the iPad. Headsets are widely available and can be purchased for around \$10. Headsets will also be available for purchase at CLS.

Q. Will my child be allowed to use other tablet devices than the iPad?

A. No. After careful research and discussion, CLS has determined that the Apple iPad is our portable technology tool of choice and the only tablet device which students will be able to use.

Q. What controls will be in place for my child in regards to accessing questionable or offensive content via the Internet on the iPad?

A. iPads issued by CLS will be subject to the same content filtering as computers used at CLS. This filtering will be active on the iPads at all times.

Q. Who decides what apps are to be used?

A. iPad apps will be selected based on the suitability for the subject and will be decided upon by the department and administration. Through the course of the initiative, additional applications may be reviewed and added to facilitate academic situations. Purchasing and installing these applications is the responsibility of the school.

Q. Will my student be able to save and/or print documents from the iPad?

A. Saving documents with the iPad will be done using "cloud" sharing capabilities. This requires you to have an account with a service like Google docs or DropBox. CLS subscribes to Google Education and each student will have the ability to save work there. Printing will be kept to a minimum, but there will be designated printers which students (with teacher permission) may be able to access.

Q. How/where can I receive updates about the iPad Implementation?

A. Parents will receive regular updates via email. You can also check www.clschools.org or follow @CLSiPadUpdates on Twitter for exciting iPad Educational advances and specific updates about the CLS iPad implementation.

Q. Whom can I contact if I have questions or want to receive updates?

A. For questions regarding the iPad implementation, you may contact Larry Goodrich at lgood@clschools.org or the CLS Office.