Student Computer Requirements at Capricornia School of Distance Education (CapSDE)

Students enrolled at Capricornia School of Distance Education must have access to a computer to complete their coursework.

A desktop or laptop (laptops are preferred) that meets the specifications in the following section is required. Given that Education Queensland primarily operates within a Windows environment, Windows- based computers are recommended for students. However, Apple Mac computers are also acceptable.

Please note that certain subjects, such as those involving video or photo editing, may require higher computing power.

If you aren't sure if a computer will meet the requirements of your subjects, it is advised to consult with the subject teacher or Head of Department (HOD) before making a purchase.

- **Operating System** - Windows 11

- **Processor** - Intel Core/Ultra i5 processor or AMD Ryzen 5 or equivalent (minimum requirement)
- **Memory** – 16GB RAM
- **Storage** – 512GB storage space– Solid State Drive (SSD)
- **Camera** – Webcam - Either an external USB, or device built in camera
- **Audio** – USB Headset with Microphone is preferred

Optional accessories

- External USB or Bluetooth Mouse and Keyboard

- External Monitor - An external monitor can enhance productivity by providing additional screen space for multitasking. A resolution of 1920x1080p and a minimum size of **24 inches** is recommended.
- External USB drawing pad **(discuss with your teacher before purchasing)** – Wacom or similar

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Cyber Security

Windows Defender Security for Endpoint is the chosen IT threat mitigation and management tool for the department.

Windows Defender for Endpoint protects us from viruses, malware, ransomware and many other threats. It's installed on all Windows workstations and is centrally managed. There is nothing you need to do.
For more information see https://www.microsoft.com/en-au/security/business/threat-protection/endpoint-defender

If you need further information or clarification please contact IT support – it.support@caprrocksde.eq.edu.au

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