

Mie Prefectural High Schools are introducing digital lessons!

“1 device for 1 student”

Students are required to purchase one designated electronic device (laptop computer) when they enroll in a prefectural school.



Q 1 Will all high schools purchase the same type of device?

A 1 No, different high schools may require different devices. The price of purchasing a learning device includes the device itself, device management software, a three year warranty, and initial settings. Details about required devices for students who will enroll in 2024 will be posted on the Mie Prefectural Board of Education website in November 2023. (Scan the QR code on the right to access the website.)

For your reference: For the 2023-2024 school year, 54 out of 57 high schools required parents to purchase a Chromebook for 47,190 yen each, while the other 3 schools required the purchase of an iPad for 57,640~85,500 yen each. Please check the Mie Prefectural Board of Education website for more information.

Q 2 Should students purchase a device in advance?

A 2 No, students do not have to purchase a device before admission into their school. Students will be contacted by their school about how to purchase their device following the announcement of high school entrance results in March 2024.

For your reference: The students who entered this year (April 2023) purchased a Chromebook through the EC site for Mie Prefectural High Schools (a web site for electronic commercial transactions). The schools that require an iPad will go through a different purchasing method.

Q 3 What should students do if they require financial assistance to purchase a device?

A 3 The school will be lending out devices provided by the Mie Prefectural Board of Education to students in need. For further information, direct your inquiries to the school.

Q 4 Are students allowed to use their device freely at home?

A 4 Yes, they are allowed to use their device freely. However, students will be required to install software to restrict access to inappropriate sites and downloads. Students are responsible for charging their device at home. (Policies may differ at special needs schools. Please confirm with the school.)

Q 5 Can students use a device they already own?

A 5 Yes, if certain requirements are met. Please confirm with the high school about their policy for student devices.

Q 6 Who will pay for internet access when using the device at home?

A 6 We request that each household pay their own home internet fees. For households receiving the High School Supplemental Scholarship Fund, 14,000 yen a year for internet access fees will be provided.

Q 7 What is the procedure for students of special needs schools?

A 7 At special needs schools, the cost of the device will be supplemented by the Special Support Education Scholarship Incentive. Please confirm the details, including how to purchase the device, with the school.