Computer Requirements
For All
Virtual Academy of Lafourche Sites

1. It is mandatory that students have their own laptops and headphones **prior** to attending VAL.

2. Fully charged laptops, chargers and headphones must be brought to school daily.

3. It is strongly recommended that the laptop is used exclusively for academic purposes.

4. When laptops are used for other purposes, like gaming or video storage, the memory is used up at a rapid rate and may hinder the progress of students.

5. A slow internet connection will affect the performance of multimedia elements found in all of our software courses.

Chromebooks, HP Streams and Tablets (iPad, Kindle) are not allowed.

When purchasing a laptop or using one you already have, please follow the requirements below:

Operating System - Either one of the following:
☐ **Windows 10 or 11 (Not in S mode)**
☐ **Mac OS® v12 or higher**
Processor - Any one of the following:
☐ **AMD Ryzen 3 or higher**
☐ **Intel Core i3, i5, i7, i9 or i11**
Memory
☐ **4 GB RAM - Required**
☐ **8 GB RAM - Recommended**
Hard Disk Space
☐ **250 GB or larger (Solid State is recommended)**
Display
☐ **Both touch screens and non-touch screens are allowed.**
☐ **Minimum 14 inch screen display**
Touchpad
☐ **If your child is not comfortable using the touchpad/mousepad, please provide an external mouse (wireless or USB).**
Note:
Chromebooks, HP Streams and Tablets (iPad, Kindle) are not allowed. Chromebooks are not compatible with some of our online programs. The hard drive space is very small on a HP Stream. Curriculum does not have apps available for tablets.