

Bon Secours Southside College of Health Sciences

New Student Standard Technology Initiative

Beginning with the August 2023 cohort, SCHS will implement a Standard Technology Initiative in which all incoming AASN students will be required to utilize a Bon Secours SCHS-issued laptop computer to complete the academic program. Bon Secours SCHS decided to implement this initiative to ensure that all students have adequate and standardized technology resources to support a hybrid learning environment, academic programming, remote testing capabilities and continuity of Information Technology (IT) support.

WHO IS REQUIRED TO USE A BSMCON-ISSUED LAPTOP?

All new, incoming students enrolled in the AASN program beginning with the August 2023 Semester will be required to utilize a Bon Secours SCHS-issued laptop computer.

WHAT WILL I GET?

The laptop computer bundle will include the following:

- Dell laptop
 - o Model: Latitude 7340
 - Size: 13"
 - Operating System: Windows 11
 - Details: 13th Gen Intel Core i5-1345U 4.7ghz Turbo Processor, 256GB Storage, 16GB Ram, Wifi 6E w/Bluetooth, Camera & Microphone w/ privacy shutter, 3-Cell 57Wh battery, Aluminum Chassis
- 3-year (limited) repair warranty
- 2 chargers
- Wireless mouse
- Microsoft Office 365 Suite (Word, Excel, Outlook, Powerpoint, etc.)

Additional details can be found on the technology requirements page on the website at https://www.schs.edu/technology

WHEN WILL I GET IT?

You will receive your Bon Secours SCHS-issued laptop at your scheduled Campus Connections event prior to the start of the Semester. During the event, the SCHS IT team will assist with loading the required software and testing/preparing your laptop for the start of the Semester.



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WHAT WILL IT COST?

Bon Secours SCHS-issued laptop computer bundle will be charged in the amount of \$1,425 and will be included as Other Charges on the Registration Bill. The bundle pricing is highly competitive, as Bon Secours SCHS leveraged the health system's IT vendor contract and can offer such a bundle at discounted retail prices. Costs associated with student technology such as laptop, (home) printer and wi-fi services are included in Cost of Attendance (COA) and therefore Financial Aid may be utilized to cover such charges. Please note that not *all* types of Financial Aid may be utilized to cover the laptop computer bundle charge. Students are strongly encouraged to contact the Financial Aid Office at <u>bsr-confinancial@bshis.org</u> to evaluate student-specific Financial Aid options. Upon receipt of the BSMCON-issued laptop computer bundle at the Campus Connections event (or other), students will incur the \$1,425 charge, which is *non-refundable* and is subject to the requirements of ADM 4.04 Student Accounts policy.

WHY CAN'T I USE MY OWN LAPTOP INSTEAD?

The AASN curriculum is offered in a hybrid (blended) delivery method. This means that a portion of your education will be offered in an online delivery method. Therefore, it is imperative that each student's computer has all the features required for the curriculum, which includes requirements for remote testing.

Still have questions? Please reach out to the College's Director of Information Technology at <u>CollegeITDirector@bshsi.org</u>