



Alice Springs School of the Air

I.T. Hardware Policy

Title	I.T. Hardware Policy
Responsibility of	ASSOA Principal
Policy Owner	Alice Springs School of the Air School Council
Audience	Parents/caregivers
Category	I.T.
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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Policy is to outline the eligibility requirements for the provision of I.T. hardware for the students of Alice Springs School of the Air by the Alice Springs School of the Air School Council.

2. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Policy:

I.T hardware includes desktop, laptop, headset, speaker, microphone, webcam, external monitor, external keyboard, printer.

3. SCOPE

This Policy applies to all students of Alice Springs School of the Air.

4. RATIONALE

The Alice Springs School of the Air School Council recognises the following guiding principles relating to I.T. hardware that is provided to students.

- Hardware is fit for purpose and enhances student learning.
- Where possible there is a staggered replacement plan over a 4 year cycle.
- Where possible there is a pool of spare devices - 10% of current student cohort.
- A pool of spare accessories, e.g. speakers/mic, headsets, printer/scanner, monitors, keyboard, mouse, is maintained – 20% of current student cohort. Accessories will be replaced as needed.
- Every computer needs to be returned to the school at least once per year for maintenance.
- Old stock to be initially issued to new families until they have been enrolled for approx. 1 term, at Principal discretion.
- Stock of old computer devices to be 20% of current issued devices.



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5. GUIDELINES

Upon enrolment eligible students will be issued with I.T. hardware to enable them to participate in online lessons. Hardware includes a computer, speaker, microphone, and a printer if the family needs it for their home classroom.

Student I.T. hardware is issued according to the following parameters:

- 1 computer per student
- 1 speaker/mic per computer or 1 headset per computer
- Default computer is All in One (desktop) for Primary and MY however for various reasons some people may request a laptop, external monitor, and keyboard
- Headsets from year 4 on
- External webcams for P- 4

Eligible students include all students enrolled at Alice Springs School of the Air except, students based at another school; travellers and students based overseas. Travellers and students based overseas are expected to provide their own IT hardware, and those based at another school will have it provided by that school.

6. RELATED DOCUMENTS

This policy should be read in conjunction with the Alice Springs School of the Air Loan Agreement Policy.

7. AMENDMENTS / REVIEW

The I.T. Hardware Policy will be reviewed every year by the Alice Springs School of the Air School Council unless otherwise required.

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