

RECOMMENDED TECHNOLOGY SPECS

	Basic User	Average-Advanced User	Power User
Processor	i5, M2 or similar	i7, M3 or similar	i9, M4 or similar
RAM	8-16 GB	16-32 GB	32 GB+
Storage	256 GB SSD	512 GB SSD	1 TB+ SSD
Graphics	Integrated	Integrated	AMD or NVIDIA discrete graphics card
Common Uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occasional Internet Browsing Occasional Microsoft Office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frequent Internet Browsing Frequent Microsoft Office Multi-Tasking Running multiple programs at the same time Basic Photo/Video Editing Software 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frequent Use of Engineering Software Advanced Photo/Video Editing Software Design Software Gaming

Free Microsoft Office 365 (GVSU IT)

<https://www.gvsu.edu/it/downloading-office-365-from-microsoft-223.htm>

Questions regarding software or other university applications such as Workday or Blackboard, contact the GVSU IT Helpdesk at 616-331-2101 or helpdesk@gvsu.edu

Access Here:



Need Help Repairing A Device?

Check out one of these local companies for help with your device repair needs:

Adaptive PC Solutions

(<https://adaptivesolutions.com/>)

Phone: 616-788-2660 Email: contact@adaptivepcsolutions.com

Address: 7507 Cottonwood Dr. Jenison, MI 49428 (7.7 miles, ~ 14 min)

Best Buy (Geek Squad)

(<https://www.bestbuy.com/>)

Phone: 616-855-1070 (store) / Geek Squad (1-888-237-8289)

Address: 4830 Wilson Ave SW Grandville, MI 49418 (10.9 miles, ~ 21 min)

Computer Rescue 911

(<https://www.computerrescue911.com/>)

Phone: 616-891-5911 Email: support@computerrescue911.com

Address: 3070 Broadmoor Ave SE, Ste. A, Grand Rapids, MI 49512 (21 miles, ~ 31 min)

FIND THE RIGHT COMPUTER

WHAT DEVICE IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

Please fill out the below check list and take to a Laker Technology Specialist to determine what device is best for you.

1. What's your major?
2. What's your intended use for your device? (circle all that apply)
class notes/assignments drawing gaming photo/video editing
streaming video (Netflix, YouTube, Hulu, etc.) other _____
3. What type of device are you looking for -- laptop vs. tablet?
4. What operating system are you looking for - Apple vs. Windows?
5. Is there a particular brand you're looking for - Apple, Dell, Microsoft Surface, other?
6. Is there a budget that you're working within?
7. Are you concerned with (circle all that apply):
 - a. The weight of the device/do you plan to carry it around?
 - b. Battery life
 - c. Screen size and touch screen vs. non-touch screen
 - d. Speakers and sound quality
 - e. Webcam - do you want one built in and what resolution?
8. How do you plan to protect your device? (circle all that apply)
protection plan (AppleCare+ or Safeware) case/cover sleeve
9. Do you need any accessories? (circle all that apply)
mouse external storage webcam headphones other _____

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