



Marist Parents and Guardians of the Class of 2030,

As we prepare for the next school year, we want to share an important update about technology use at Marist. Our goal is simple: to ensure that technology supports learning, not distraction. This coming school year, all students in the Class of 2030 will purchase their iPad through Marist, allowing us to set it up as a learning tool with the right filters, apps, and settings. Each device will be managed through a Mobile Device Management (MDM) system, which allows the school to monitor and manage apps, settings, and restrictions, helping keep the focus on learning and keeping students safe online. The only way to make this happen is to purchase all devices through Marist.

Here's what you need to know:

- **iPads as learning tools** – The school-purchased iPads will come preloaded with approved educational apps and settings through our MDM system. These iPads are designed to support classwork, creativity, and collaboration, not entertainment.
- **Why this matters** – Research shows that unregulated screen time can affect focus, sleep, and academic performance. Purposeful, guided screen use, however, enhances learning and skill development.
- **Our “Off and Away” policy** – Students are expected to keep personal cell phones turned off and stored away during the school day. This has already made a positive impact on engagement, attention, and relationships within our community.

By managing both iPads and phone use intentionally and through the use of our MDM system we're helping students develop focus, responsibility, and digital balance. Purchasing it through the school also provides a cost savings to you. Thank you for partnering with us in shaping a learning environment that puts students and their growth first.

On the reverse side you will find our FAQ.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Meg Dunneback
Principal
Marist High School





Freshman Class of 2030 IPAD PROGRAM



HOW IS THE IPAD PURCHASED?

Marist High School will acquire, configure and distribute new Marist controlled iPads to the Freshman class prior to the start of school, August 2026 for pick-up at the school's main campus. Further information will be sent out to registered students and their parents during the Spring months of 2026.

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE IPAD PACKAGE?

One new Wi-Fi only (A16 – Gen) iPad; one rugged case with keyboard; one USB-C charger and cable; one Apple Pencil; 4-year AppleCare+ warranty; MDM (Mobile Device Management) software and Safe Internet Software.

WHAT IS THE COST OF THE IPAD PACKAGE?

A one-time fee, due in June 2026, of \$650.00. The expected lifespan of this entire package is 4 years. Upon graduation from Marist High School, students can take their iPad with them once it is un-enrolled from the school's MDM. Lost or stolen items are not covered under the warranty.

WHAT SOFTWARE IS INCLUDED?

Google's core applications (Drive, Docs, Sheets, Slides, Gmail, Chrome, etc.); Notability for Education; Canvas Student; and Skyward are identified as the main Apps at this time and are made available on the iPad at no additional cost. Depending on the course, there may be some Apps requiring a purchase, which will be billed on the student's FACTS account.

WILL E-BOOKS BE AVAILABLE FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR?

At Marist, we use a combination of print and digital materials to best support students' learning. Course texts and e-books will be purchased by parents directly through eCampus Bookstore. Purchasing options may include new vs used, hard-copy vs e-book, purchased vs rental; all providing cost and learning style flexibilities. Currently, the 2026-27 master booklist is under review.

WHAT HAPPENS TO A DAMAGED DEVICE BEYOND REGULAR WEAR AND TEAR?

AppleCare+ covers up to two replacements per year through Marist's Technology Dept. If damage exceeds this limit, the family will incur a new Device Fee for another replacement device. The case/keyboard covers a three-year warranty. All replacements, repairs and support are coordinated through Marist's Technology Dept., eliminating the need to visit an Apple Store in most cases.

Note: AppleCare+ does not cover lost or stolen devices. If the device is lost or stolen, families will need to obtain a replacement device through Marist High School, which incurs a new device fee of \$650.