Since 2012, Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy has provided a state-of-the-art 1:1 laptop program to our students to support the 21st Century curriculum offered here on the hill. This program provides anytime, anywhere access to a rich digital toolbox that will aid our young women in their mastery of the essential skills and literacies they will use for the rest of their lives.

Pursuant to this program, every student at FSHA will be issued an individual laptop computer as a supplement to her educational program. We therefore encourage you NOT to buy one for your daughter.

In order to make this initiative a reality, a technology fee of $500 will be included on each student’s billing statement. This annual fee helps to offset the costs of the laptop program which includes not only the laptop device itself, but also the software, support, insurance and infrastructure that make the program work (see back page for more details).

A Laptop Use Agreement will be provided for you to review and sign before the beginning of the school year.

For more information about the program, go to www.fsha.org/laptops. There you can find a helpful list of Frequently Asked Questions and answers regarding the program. We will keep this FAQ current as policies are established and updated.

We hope you share our enthusiasm about this exciting endeavor!
The 1:1 Laptop program includes:

- A powerful laptop that meets our program’s requirements for battery life, weight and durability
- Professional-grade standard software titles such as the Microsoft Office suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc), Adobe Creative Cloud titles such as Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premier Pro, etc)
- Education- and curriculum-specific software titles and online services
- A centrally located Help Desk office that is staffed by a dedicated full-time employee during school hours. Students are able to bring their laptops there for assistance or support, and loaner laptops will be provided if problems aren’t immediately fixable. A major goal of the program is to minimize the time that any student is out of class or without their digital toolbox due to technical problems.
- An enterprise-level wireless and wired network infrastructure – optimized for connectivity, safety and security.
- An ongoing and regular refresh and update of each laptop to ensure that they are running the latest compatible operating system and have all the software required to meet curricular needs.
- An insurance program that helps to protect families from the financial burdens of repair or replacement in the event a laptop is accidentally damaged or stolen.