



Checklist of Items to Receive MacBook 2025-26 Returning Students



Students MUST bring the following items to the “rollout” to receive a school-issued MacBook Air.

- _____ 1) A laptop bag for a **13-INCH MACBOOK AIR: Apple M4 chip**. Because of the increase in the number of cracked computer screens, we will **no longer allow students to carry their MacBooks in their backpacks**. Every student is now required to have a padded, computer bag, with a shoulder strap, that fits a 13-inch MacBook Air well. It cannot be a messenger or tote bag; it must be designed to be a computer bag. The dimensions of the 13" MacBook Airs are 0.44" (height), 11.97" (width), and 8.46" (depth). Mrs. Woodcock must approve these bags at the rollout.
- _____ 2) Earbuds to be used during the school year (these must be present in the laptop bag EVERY day). Please do not send expensive AirPods. These need to be an inexpensive set of earbuds that stay in the bag when not in use at school.
- _____ 3) An ID tag with the student's name, address, and phone number on one side and the school's name, address (901 Buena Vista Drive, 36303), and phone number (334-794-4106) on the other. Have the side with the student's information visible. Any luggage tag with the above information can be used or, for your convenience, one can be purchased for \$3 on the day of the rollout that already has the school information printed on it.

Note: Every student will receive a hard-shell cover for their MacBook so **please do not purchase one in advance**. These will be provided by the school for \$24 and charged to parents through their FACTS account.

Again, your student MUST have ALL of the above items to be allowed to pick up his/her MacBook.

We no longer require students to purchase USB memory drives. We encourage students to save their files to the unlimited Google Drive associated with their school email account. If you do choose to purchase a USB stick drive, be aware that the laptops do not have any standard USB connections. They have the newer USB-C ports.

Please email me at woodcockm@houstonacademy.com with questions.

Thanks,
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