

## Recommended Software/Hardware 2010-11

**Recommended Software/Hardware** -The software/hardware listed below will enhance your daughter's learning experience insuring compatibility between your home computer and our school workstations.

### Software:

- Windows XP SP3 or later
- Microsoft Office Professional 2003 SP3 or later
  - Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Publisher, Access, and Outlook
- Microsoft FrontPage 2003 SP3 or later

*The following software is included with Windows: Microsoft*

- Internet Explorer 8.0
- Windows Media Player 11.0
- Windows Movie Maker

*The following software is available online for free:*

- Microsoft Security Essentials (Free)
- Acrobat Reader (Free)
- Macromedia Flash Player (Free)
- Macromedia Shockwave (Free)
- Apple QuickTime (Free)
- RealPlayer (Free)
- Java (Free)

**Anti-Virus** - No computer should be left unprotected from viruses; this is why we highly recommend everyone have some kind of anti-virus protection installed. We use Computer Associates' "eTrust" for our protection and the free MS Security Essentials, but there are many more brands out that provide just as good protection. Norton and McAfee are 2 very popular alternatives.

### Hardware: *At minimum*

- Desktop/laptop Computer
  - 3.16 GHz Intel Core Duo processor or higher or equivalent.
  - 3 (GB) of RAM or higher recommended.
  - 80 (GB) or more of available hard disk space.
  - Super VGA (800 x 600) or higher resolution video adapter and monitor
  - CD-ROM or DVD burner drive
  - Keyboard and Microsoft Mouse or compatible pointing device
  - Sound card and speakers or headphones
- Internet Connection:
  - Broadband Internet connection – DSL/Cable/Satellite
  - Printer: DeskJet, InkJet, or LaserJet