

## MACBOOK AIR PURCHASING OPTION

### **DEFINITION:**

This document aims to outline the available option to purchase the MacBook computer used by your child during his/her tenure as a student at Cincinnati Christian Schools (CCS)<sup>1</sup>. Please note that the primary technical purpose of our Digital Conversion Initiative is to provide the resources necessary to facilitate 21<sup>st</sup> century learning. Therefore, it should also be noted that the annual digital conversion fee of \$420 is a usage fee – not a lease payment. Simply, it is not a lease-to-own arrangement for parents. Rather, financial decisions have been made in the best interest for the sustainability of the academic program.

Further, our intention for selling the computers is not to provide resources for updating our inventory. Our partnership with Apple allows us to regularly update the devices and thus the same is not a motivation in the purchasing program.

### **PURCHASE OPTION:**

That said, in an effort to make this program as affordable as possible for our students, upon graduation parents/students have the option to take their laptop with them by simply paying the remainder of the lease amount on the particular device assigned to that student during their time at Cincinnati Christian Schools<sup>2</sup>.

It should be noted that the lease amount and the digital conversion fee are two different items. A portion of the fee of \$420 annually is applied to the lease payment on the machine- but not the entire amount. A percentage of the annual fee is used to offset digital resources and accessories for the computers as well.

As stated above, CCS will be ‘refreshing’ our supply of laptops on a regular basis. Therefore, it is possible that during your child’s time at CCS he/she could have up to three different computers assigned to him/her. Therefore, it is possible that a graduating senior in one year may have a higher remaining balance than one in the previous year. The purchasing option is available only at times of refreshing and/or upon graduation<sup>3</sup>.

### **DISCLAIMERS AND CLARIFICATIONS:**

1. CCS is not guaranteeing the availability of computers for purchase at any published or consistent interval.
2. Purchase options include the computer and power adapters only. All machines will be restored to factory conditions before released from inventory. All school-licensed software will be removed.
3. Computers purchased before graduating from CCS become the property of the family and therefore cannot be used as a part of the CCS Digital Conversion Initiative. Each student will still be responsible for the \$420 annual fee and will be assigned a school-owned device for academic work so long as they remain enrolled at CCS.