



**QEF e-Learning Funding Programme (Mobile Computer Devices and Internet Services Support)
Special Notice No.3 (2021/2022)**

3rd September, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Our school has been implementing the “Bring Your Own Device” policy since the 2020/21 school year, recommending students to bring their own mobile computer devices to school for learning. To alleviate the financial burden of students from low-income families, we have participated in the Community Care Fund Assistance Programme to subsidise our needy students to purchase suitable mobile computer devices, and this programme has been completed in 2020/21.

Looking forward, blended mode of learning, i.e. face-to-face classes, e-learning at home or other modes of learning, may become the “new normal” in teaching and learning. To further support schools in implementing the blended mode of teaching and learning under the “new normal”, the Education Bureau (EDB) will launch the Quality Education Fund e-Learning Funding Programme (Mobile Computer Devices and Internet Services Support) for three years starting the 2021/22 school year. It includes providing funding to schools to purchase mobile computer devices for loan to needy students and to provide portable WiFi routers and mobile data cards for students who are unable to acquire appropriate Internet services due to their constraints of the living environment.

Our school therefore would like to know whether students need to apply for related equipment. Eligible students are those who will receive Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) from the Social Welfare Department, or full/half grant of the School Textbook Assistance Scheme (STAS) from the Student Finance Office in the 2021/22 school year; or students with limited economic means identified by schools. If students’ families face financial difficulties but cannot receive CSSA or STAS due to special circumstances, they may provide schools with explanations or supplementary information. The EDB provides a limited amount of quota to our school for purchasing e-learning equipment for loan to needy students with genuine needs identified by school-based criteria.

For students not fulfilling the Quality Education Fund’s sponsorship requirements, their parents can decide whether they will purchase the tablet. Our school will continue to provide tablets for students who have not purchased their own devices to allow them to participate in e-learning activities in class. However, students cannot bring the tablets home to continue their learning outside the classroom. Our school has completed the tendering process and will arrange for parents to purchase Apple iPad 128GB + Apple Pencil + EarPods + Screen Protector + Case + 3 year MDM at a discounted price of \$4804. Our school do not receive any benefits in the purchasing process.

From our past experience in promoting e-learning, students bringing their own devices to learn in class can best maximize the learning effectiveness. It can also successfully nurture students to have the skills and positive attitude to practice self-regulated learning. Please sign the reply slip to indicate your preference after going through the notice with your child.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Wong Chung Leung
Principal



Remarks: Please sign the reply slip on or before 10/9/2021 (Friday).



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 - (i) processing applications relating to the programme;
 - (ii) verifying information with the departments/bureaux of the Government of the HKSAR which are relevant to (i), if necessary.
2. Any information, including personal data, submitted may be disclosed to the EDB and relevant government departments/bureaux for the purposes mentioned above.
3. The provision of personal data is obligatory. Without the data provided, the School is not able to process the application and proceed with the relevant arrangements.
4. According to Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (PDPO), all persons have the right to request access to and correction of their personal data. Request for access to or correction of personal data should be made in the Data Access Request Form (No.OPS003 issued by the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data) and sent to 62 Cloud View Road, North Point, Hong Kong. For more information about the privacy policy, please visit the website of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data.



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REPLY SLIP

Date: _____

To whom it may concern,

I have acknowledged the matters stated in Special Notice No.3 (2021/2022). My reply is as follows:

- ☐ Do not participate.
- ☐ Already have an Apple iPad.
- ☐ Will purchase Apple iPad 128GB at a discounted price through the school.
- ☐ Apply for QEF e-Learning Funding Programme. **(Please complete the “Declaration” part)**

Declaration

I declare that:

(I) My child/ child under my custody:

- ☐ will receive Comprehensive Social Security Assistance/ School Textbook Assistance Scheme (CSSA/ STAS) in the 2021/22 school year.
- ☐ will not receive the above CSSA/ STAS, but the family has limited economic means at present.

(II) Regarding the borrowing of a mobile computer device, my child/ child under my custody:

- ☐ have not received similar government assistance at this school or other schools in the past, including the Community Care Fund Assistance Programme for purchasing a mobile computer device.
- ☐ received subsidy from the Community Care Fund to purchase a mobile computer device.

(III) The residence of my child/ child under my custody:

- ☐ is connected to broadband Internet services and additional support from the school is not required.
- ☐ cannot be connected to appropriate fixed broadband services, additional support from the school is thus needed.

I hereby **declare** that the information and documents provided are accurate, and commit that:

1. If the school is unable to apply for the subsidy from the Education Bureau due to inaccurate or incomplete information provided by me, I will pay the cost incurred, including the concerned cost of the device for supporting e-learning of my child/ child under my custody; and
2. If my child/ child under my custody is not eligible to benefit from the Funding Programme due to the improvement of my family's financial position, or he/ she leaves the school for various reasons (including graduation, further studies or transfer to other schools), I will **return** all borrowed equipment.

Should you have any further enquiries, please contact Mr Chan Chan Wai Kee, Teacher-in-charge of Information Technology Committee at 2571 1285 during office hours.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Name of Student: _____ Class: _____ No: _____