



# Simplifying School



## THE PROGRAM

The laptop program is an innovative experience that gives students the opportunity to use a laptop computer in the classroom as a tool for learning.

Education  
Communication  
Technology

This program:

Enhances classroom activities and the curriculum by integrating technology to provide rich and meaningful experiences;

Teaches new technology skills and refines existing skills;

Provides a comfortable environment using technology in a variety of ways;

Utilizes SmartBoard technology to increase the effectiveness of content delivery.

A dedicated set of laptops for grade nine students in the applied pathway provides all Lo-Ellen Park students with a chance to experience technology in the classroom.

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## Laptop Program



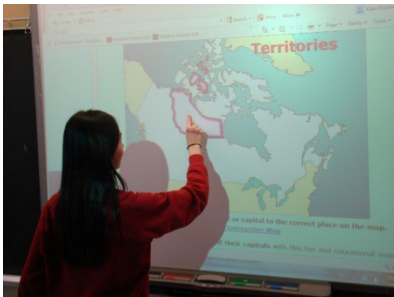
Lo-Ellen Park  
Secondary School

# It just makes sense.

Laptop students are connected to our network with their own laptop, allowing interaction with the teacher, other students and the internet. Activities include internet research, interactive web resources, developing presentations, and multimedia projects.

## SOFTWARE

Students in the Laptop program are responsible for obtaining software which allows for word processing, creation of presentations and data management. Microsoft Office Suite Student Version software is recommended.



## STUDENTS

Students develop skills transferable to the work force and to the post-secondary level.

Students can communicate with their teacher anytime, anywhere. Students can get help online via email and can let teachers know if they are experiencing difficulty. They can also remain connected to the classroom in the event of an absence.

# Flexible solutions for your education needs

## TEACHERS

Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School teachers work hard to continuously improve the educational experience in the laptop program. Teachers take the time to create content that suits the needs of our students and deliver curriculum in an engaging way. The results are impressive: students often produce multimedia works worthy of high praise.

Each year new equipment is added to our labs. Our network allows students to connect wirelessly anywhere in the school. A number of SMARTBoards have been added to our classrooms and cutting edge technology is making education more interesting.



## MINIMUM HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

- Intel Core 2 Processor
- 1 or 2 GB RAM
- 60 GB Hard Drive
- Wireless Internet
- DVD/CD Reader / Burner
- Ethernet Cable
- Carrying case/backpack
- Headphones with a microphone
- USB Memory Stick
- PC or Mac is acceptable



Typical systems cost between \$400 and \$1400.

When purchasing a system, many businesses offer complete service options. Even the most careful student can have an accident when transporting equipment and the school is not responsible for broken equipment.

