



Notre Dame High School 2018-2019 Introduction to Textbooks

Introduction: Notre Dame has done everything we know to ensure the accuracy of the textbook list. Additionally, all links have been checked by the school to verify accuracy. Due to the detailed nature of the list and the usefulness of live links, the book list will be posted on the Notre Dame website www.notredamesalinas.org under the **ACADEMICS** tab by the week of June 25th.

Please set aside time to go through this process slowly. When purchasing books please be sure to only purchase those for the classes listed on your schedule. **The skills learned and questions generated through the process will be incredibly valuable. We recommend the student:**

- Assesses the storage/memory available on her iPad and reduce the stored photo, video, and music content if needed
- Works directly on this process
- Uses her iPad when making the purchases
- Enters her Notre Dame email address to make the purchase (incoming students may use a personal email).

During Student Orientation in August, the students will spend time reviewing Notre Dame's Acceptable Use Policy, learning to use campus-wide programs, and accessing additional required Apps or programs.

Helpful Hints:

- 1) When purchasing textbooks, use the iPad intended for school use by the student
- 2) Save all receipts and confirmations of purchases. Screen shots are recommended.
- 3) Make note of all emails, passwords, and log in information while purchasing textbooks
- 4) Bring a credit card to Orientation if needing assistance with purchasing.
- 5) Go to the App Store on the iPad and download the following apps:
- 6) **Use all active live links in blue if available. These links should direct you to the required text.**

iTunes App on the iPad 	App Store App 	Kindle Reader App 
iBooks App on the iPad 	Pearson eText for Schools App (Used to access some English, History, and Foreign Language eTexts) 	Pearson eText App (Used to access some science eTexts) 

Please note while purchasing books on Pearsons www.pearsonprivateschools.com/

- 1) Enter the ISBN number followed by the space bar or click on the Pearson Link listed on the textbook list. Note the ISBN may link to an abbreviated book title which should be similar to what is indicated on the booklist.
- 2) Verify the purchase is accurate by choosing the book with the same/similar price (because multiple year subscriptions at a higher cost may be offered on same page)
- 3) Pearson eTexts will not be accessible for download until:
 - a. Pearson sends you additional documents or a receipt (though they will not send you a physical book you will be receiving a receipt in the mail, so when asked please enter your mailing information).
 - b. Access codes will be given on Orientation day and during the first week of class after verification of purchase/receipt. To quickly provide you with access, please bring proof of purchase for ALL Pearson eTexts to orientation.
 - c. Having difficulties or needing assistance with textbooks? We will be happy to help you at orientation and during the first week of school.

Don't forget to complete your summer reading!

(Books are listed on the ND website under the ACADEMICS tab

iPad Helpful Hints

Which iPad should we purchase? Are an iPhone or Mini acceptable?

- If a student is purchasing a new iPad, Notre Dame strongly recommends purchasing the standard (Height: 9.5 inches Width: 7.31 inches) iPad. It is the best choice to fully access the digital features of the textbooks and online resources teachers will expect students to use.
- Students who have iPad Minis will be allowed to use them, but minis are not recommended and families should anticipate a student may desire an upgrade as the size of the screen hinders a student's ability to keep on pace with the rest of the class.
- An iPhone or iPod Touch cannot be used in place of an iPad.

What specifications are required?

- The device must include a camera.
- If a student is purchasing a new iPad, Notre Dame recommends a 32GB or higher iPad.

Should we get the wireless version or the 3G or 4G data plan version?

- Students do not need an iPad with 3G or 4G. All iPads will connect to the Internet anywhere on campus via Notre Dame's wireless network. Only in the event a student does not have Internet access at home, it would be desirable to purchase iPads that will work on 3G or 4G cellular networks for connectivity everywhere.

Will Internet content be filtered?

- Notre Dame's wireless system has very high levels of content filtering and is CIPA ([Children's Internet Protection Act](#)) compliant. All wired and wireless Internet access on campus will be filtered. Furthermore, students' online behavior is governed by the Notre Dame Acceptable Use Policy which is provided to all students and parents via the Student-Parent Handbook, distributed and reviewed at the beginning of each school year.
- If parents were to purchase a 3G or 4G monthly data package, their Internet connection would circumvent Notre Dame's web filter and those students would have access to the entire Internet. Notre Dame does not recommend students bring 3G or 4G devices to campus.

Will all textbooks be available for the iPad or will some still be hard copies?

Can my daughter use hard copy texts if she prefers?

- Some courses will have a digital textbook but may still require paper workbooks or supplemental materials.
- In most cases, the required textbook will be the digital version.
- Students may choose to supplement their digital textbook by purchasing the paper edition if available.

Can families opt out of the iPad program?

- Participation in the iPad program is required of every student who attends Notre Dame.

Will my daughter be able to use a laptop instead?

- All students will be required to have an iPad at school each day. Their textbooks and required apps will be stored on the device. If a student would like to use a laptop for projects and/or notetaking, at the discretion of each teacher, she will be able to do so.