

NaSA & CSS @ Kirkwood Community College

Students accepted into the **Network and System Administration** or **Customer Support Specialist** programs are required to have their own personal laptop computer, and a 500GB minimum USB 3.0 or better external hard drive (SSD preferred). The computer and hard drive must be ready to use by the first day of class. Be aware that ALL of the software programs we use, teach, and specify are Windows-based so a Windows based machine is required.

If you already have access to a laptop that you think would meet the minimum specifications listed below, an evaluation of the system specifications will need to be done by NaSA/CSS faculty, or EagleTech staff for approval to use as a substitution to this requirement.

Software Requirements

Provided as part of enrollment in the NaSA/CSS Programs

Hardware Requirement Recommendation

NaSA/CSS faculty has identified a PC model that fits all of the necessary hardware requirements and fully endorses it as the preferred device for our programs of study. The Dell G15-5515 is available at EagleTech, Kirkwood's on-campus tech store.

Hardware Specifications:

Dell G15-5515

Cost: \$1149

- Processor: AMD Ryzen 7 5800H
- RAM: 16GB
- Storage: 512GB SSD
- Graphics: NVIDIA GeForce RTX 3050Ti
- Display: 15" 120Hz
- Wireless: Bluetooth 5.0, WiFi 6
- OS: Windows 11 Home
- Color: Phantom Gray



At EagleTech, this computer comes with:

- Tax-Free purchase
- Use Financial Aid for purchase
- On-going support at EagleTech for this PC