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What To Look For In A New Computer

Is Your Computer Really Old?

Here are a few quick things to help you purchase your next computer.

Typically, you should replace your computers every 3-5 years. It is possible to get longer use. However, at the rate that technology changes today, you will probably suffer from lost productivity and added expenses to maintain them after that point.

CHECKLIST

Basics
- Brand - Stick with **Dell, HP & Lenovo**
- Processor - Intel i Series processors (i3, i5, i7) Prefer **i5 processor** for most business computing
- Memory - At least **8 Gb,** prefer 12-16 GB
- Hard Drive - Storage vs Speed (Traditional hard drive vs SSD hard drive)
- Operating System - Preferred - **Windows 7 Professional, Windows 10 Professional**
- Case Size - Tower, SFF or Tiny

Stay away from:
- All-In-One Computers
- Other brands (anybody that is not Dell, HP or Lenovo)
- Windows 8
- Home version of Windows
- Most "box" stores don't sell business quality computers. This includes Office Depot, Staples, Best Buy & Walmart. They all compete on lowest price (lowest quality) for technology and focus on consumer (home user) electronics.

Software & Accessories:
- Office 2016 vs Office 365 (Recommend Office 365 Business)
- Dual Monitors or Larger Monitor (studies show an increase in productivity)
- Speakers (Many good choices)
- Microphone (Blue Snowflake or Samson Go USB Microphone)
- Webcam (Prefer Logitech, most HD models also have decent microphone built in
- Network Storage (Recommend Synology)

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