



FACT SHEET:

Microsoft School Software Agreement

Term:	1 January 2016 – 31 December 2018
Eligibility:	State & state-integrated schools are fully-funded. Independent schools can purchase products at a discount.
Covered:	Almost 850,000 teachers and students, 97% of schools are enrolled.
Savings:	Centralised procurement reduces licensing costs by around 50%. Students & teachers can get Office software for their personal devices at no cost, saving around \$200 per user a year.

Comments:

- The Ministry of Education has extended the Microsoft Schools' Software Agreement.
- The 3 year extension provides certainty for schools, supporting IT strategic planning and investment timeframes.
- There is increased support for schools to move to cloud computing.
- The Ministry licenses software from multiple vendors, including Apple, Novell, Symantec, Websense and Microsoft, to provide schools with a choice of computing tools.

Increased value for education sector

The renewed agreement delivers significantly increased value for the education sector, students and their families, at no extra cost.

From the beginning of 2016 the agreement provides for:

- Microsoft Office software for students' and teachers' personal devices at no cost.
- New on-premise and cloud-based versions of key Microsoft software, to support 'anywhere anytime' learning.
- New tools for managing mobile computing & BYOD programmes, including: mobile device management, identity and access management services.
- Continued access to Microsoft software for NZ schools, helping schools to provide modern teaching and learning environments.
- Continued unlimited licensing for Windows servers and networks for on-premise, remote and hosted environments.

There is no cost for the licensed products for participating state or state-integrated schools, and independent schools continue to get discounted pricing.

Software included in the agreement

The new agreement continues to support the existing range of Microsoft software, including the Windows Operating System, Microsoft Office and Microsoft servers.

A range of new cloud-delivered services and tools are available under the agreement, including the Office 365 Pro Plus Suite and the Enterprise Mobility Suite.



Office 365 provides a cloud-hosted suite of Office Productivity software. It links and synchronises with the Office 365 Pro Plus suite of software for students' and teachers' devices.

Office 365 Pro Plus includes the latest versions of Access, Excel, Skype, OneNote, Outlook, PowerPoint, Publisher, and Word. Users load the client software onto their own devices, and can run up to 5 copies on their computer (Mac/PC) and 5 on their mobile device (Windows/Android/iPhone).

The Enterprise Mobility Suite is a new addition that schools can use to support mobile computing and BYOD. It provides tools to manage mobile and desktop devices, applications, security, identity and access rights. It includes: Intune Mobile Device Management, Azure Active Directory Premium, Azure Rights Management and Advanced Threat Analytics.

Updated versions of all Microsoft's key on-premise software will be available: including Windows 10, Office 2016, Sharepoint 2016, Exchange 2016, Server 2016, Skype for Business.

Information and support

If you are a state or state-integrated school, you do not need to do anything to continue using your current Microsoft software.

If you are an independent school, you will need to place an order with Datacom before the end of 2015. Datacom will email details to your nominated contact person.

- Datacom distributes Microsoft software on behalf of the Ministry of Education. To enrol, order, change your contact details, or get help accessing software, email NZschools@datacom.co.nz or go to the website: www.moe.dsv.co.nz.
- Microsoft software and volume license keys can be downloaded from your school's Volume Licensing Service Centre (VLSC) portal: <https://www.microsoft.com/licensing/servicecenter/default.aspx>
- Software installation and technical support is available from the Ministry's ICT Helpdesk. Email: callict@tki.org.nz. Phone: 0800 CALL ICT (0800 22 55 42).
- Information about the range of Ministry funded software is available on the Ministry's website: www.education.govt.nz/school/running-a-school/technology-in-schools/software/
- Advice around IT planning and the use of technology to support teaching and learning is available from the Ministry's Connected Learning Advisory. elearning.tki.org.nz/Ministry-initiatives/Connected-Learning-Advisory-service

