

Antivirus Software

General Information

Antivirus software is an important tool to help keep your computer protected from malicious software. Use the table below to download recommended antivirus software for your computer. Be certain only **ONE** antivirus program is installed/running on your computer at the same time or you may experience significant performances issues.

Our advice it to avoid products advertising "Total" or "360" protection. There are many products out there that include features beyond antivirus. Many of these can cause more performance and functionality problems than they protect against. Stick with a product that focuses on just antivirus protection. There are other options beyond what is listed here, particularly for Windows machines. IT@JH highlights additional resources on their page linked below.

Please note the SON Help Desk does not provide any additional recommendations beyond what is listed here, nor does it provide any support for or assistance with installing or configuring any of the software listed. Please contact the software vendors or your computer manufacturer for additional support/questions.

Operating System	School-owned Computer	Personally-owned Computer
Microsoft Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7	Microsoft System Center Endpoint Protection	Microsoft Security Essentials ¹ Bitdefender ¹ AVG ¹
Microsoft Windows 8 & Windows 10	Microsoft System Center Endpoint Protection	Microsoft Defender ² Bitdefender ¹ AVG ¹
Apple OSX	Microsoft System Center Endpoint Protection	Sophos Antivirus for Mac ¹

- 1. Bitdefender has eliminated their free product option, but AVG still appears to have a free offering.
- 2. Microsoft Defender is included with Windows 8 and above.

Additional Resources

- [IT@JH Endpoint Protection](#)
- [IT@JH Endpoint Protection Downloads](#)
- [How do I uninstall antivirus or antispysware programs?](#)



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