A COMPUTER LAPTOP OR NOTEBOOK IS REQUIRED FOR THE ACADEMY.

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS
LAPTOP or NOTEBOOK

Recommended Software for using Blackboard CE 8 at Butte College

Windows Operating Systems (XP/Vista)
Highly recommend installing any critical Windows updates available.

Web Browsers
- Internet Explorer 7
- Firefox 2

Additional Software
- Java (JRE) 1.6

Mac OS X (10.3-10.5)
Highly recommend installing any Mac OS updates available.

Web Browsers
- Safari 3
- Firefox 2

NOTE: As always, running the Browser Check from the Blackboard login page is the easiest and simplest way of ensuring that a user’s computer is ready. Users can also go to (http://www2.blackboard.com/tuneup) to assess their computers readiness.

Wireless Networking
Wireless Card with 802.11g (or 802.11b/g)

NOTE: Most newer laptops are equipped with 802.11g (or 802.11b/g) standard, however if their laptop is more than 4 years old, they may have to purchase a wireless access card with 802.11g (or 802.11bg).

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