



CHRISTIAN BROTHERS COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

The Following is the CBC Mathematics Department's expectations regarding calculators.

We strongly recommend purchasing one of the following graphing calculators if your son is planning on taking four years of high school math, if he is headed to a four-year college, or if he is particularly interested in math and science. The calculator should last all four years (and then some) and is allowed on most assessments in the CBC mathematics courses. These calculators cost \$100 - \$150 new. The best deals are during the back-to-school sales, but you can often find good used models on ebay for \$50-75. We strongly recommend staying in the TI family.

TI 84 – Plus (Regular or silver)



TI 84 – Plus CE (most popular)



***Do not purchase a TI-89 or any calculator with "CAS" in the name as these are not permitted on the ACT or on AP Exams.**

***Additionally, it is recommended that you do NOT purchase a TI-Nspire as the built-in programs are very different for a few of our courses.**

If your son is not planning on taking four years of high school level math or if he struggles with math, we would recommend purchasing a calculator in the TI-30 Family. It has the functions he will need for his high school math career, including trigonometry and logarithms, and it has a two – line display, showing what was typed and the answer. This calculator costs about \$15-20 new and comes in a variety of colors.

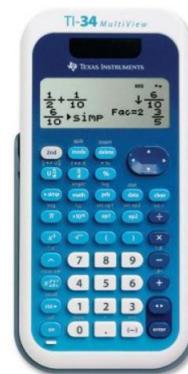
TI 30 X IIS



TI 30 XS Multiview



TI 34 multiview



Any of the above mentioned calculators are available at stores such as Office Max, Office Depot, Wal-Mart, Target, etc. We hope this information will be helpful in preparing your son for his first high school math class.