Getech is Helping Universities with Remote Learning Devices for Students

COVID-19 has had severe implications for the Higher Education sector, with uncertainty about student recruitment as well as growing concerns surrounding the delivery of coursework and lectures to students. There have been numerous discussions regarding remote learning and blended learning. Getech has been discussing with many Universities about how we, along with Lenovo, can offer our expert support.

Below is a summary of the services that we offer to Universities wishing to provide student device solutions. One of the major issues has been product availability: working alongside Lenovo we have access to stock and production cycles which ensure we can meet these demanding deadlines.

Product Selection

Getech can help you identify appropriate models and provide cost-effective build-to-order options where required. Due to the increased global demand for mobile devices, lead times from all Tier 1 vendors have lengthened significantly. Getech believes that Lenovo, the world's largest PC manufacturer who owns all its factories, has the best production capacity to meet the challenge. Getech will liaise with each University regarding details of production slots, available stocks and provide an ETA for the proposed delivery.

Online Portal/Voucher Scheme

- Getech can set up a bespoke portal to host the devices available to your students.
- Pre-paid vouchers can be allocated to the students to use within the portal.
- You would need to provide us with the student email address and student ID.
  Vouchers which link through to the student records are created and distributed through your email system.
- The student can visit the online website to place their order directly with Getech who will process the order and arrange delivery to the student's address.

Device Setup

- Our config. department handles several thousand devices.
- Device imaging and BIOS setup following your guidelines.
- If you already have any software licensing agreements for student devices in place, such as anti-virus or MS Office, they can be incorporated as part of the image deployment.

Deployment

- Getech can process purchase orders (accompanied by a spreadsheet supplied by yourselves containing the students' information) for the devices which we will deploy to the address(es) provided.
- Getech can help on-site with automated registration and sign-off processes to distribute devices.

Financing

If you are looking for a help with financing, there are two financing methods are available.

- A straightforward capital-spend option; devices are bought upfront with a purchase order.
- Leasing; giving the option for you to spread the cost of the project over several years.

Support

- Getech can provide a Support Line for students having issues setting up their device.
- A step-by-step setup guide is provided in the box.
- Manufacturer warranty options are available to meet the requirements and budget.