



St. Francis High School Online Bookstore FAQs

St. Francis partners with *MBS Books* for our online bookstore. The bookstore can be accessed by going to the St. Francis website at stfrancishs.org/bookstore.

Can I find a copy of the booklist on the St. Francis website?

- Yes, we have a link to MBS as well as a Google Sheets version of the booklist posted on the St. Francis website. It is posted on the “Bookstore” page.

Do I need to purchase through MBS?

- While parents do not need to purchase books through MBS, they can use the site to find the required booklist, and the ISBNs for these materials. Books not purchased through MBS must have the identical ISBN as those listed.

What is an ISBN?

- An ISBN is an International Standard Book Number. ISBNs are either 10 digits or 13 digits in length and they uniquely identify a book.

Do books need to be purchased new or can I buy used books? Can I rent books?

- There are different version requirements for different courses. It is important to check the MBS website, or the posted textbook file on the St. Francis website, to determine if a book needs to be purchased new only. If a book posted on MBS has a rental option, you may also opt to rent the book.

MBS has a “Guaranteed Buyback” price listed on their site, what is this?

- If you purchase a book from MBS with a Guaranteed Buyback price, the company will guarantee at least that amount of money when you sell back the book in May.

On MBS, what is “Marketplace Sellers”?

- “Marketplace Sellers” is MBS’s version of independent stores on Amazon or eBay. Approved vendors are able to sell books through their website directly to MBS customers. MBS guarantees the books purchased through their “Marketplace Sellers.”

Does MBS offer free shipping?

- **From July 8-July 22, MBS is offering free shipping on all orders over \$100.** Marketplace seller books are excluded from this promotion.

Does St. Francis hold a book buyback session on campus?

- Yes, we host two days of book buybacks, during May. Students will go online to MBS, to print out an invoice, and we mail the books back for them, for free. Even if you don’t buy books on MBS, you can still check their site in May to see if they want to buy your book.

Are there any other book buying sites that St. Francis recommends?

- The books posted on MBS are guaranteed to be the correct version and condition. However, you are free to shop at other sites such as Amazon, Barnes and Noble, Textbooks.com, CampusBooks.com, etc. We also recommend that parents check the Vista Higher Learning website when purchasing Spanish and French textbooks.