



Quick Start with Windows 8.1

Windows 8.1 and Windows 8.1 Pro

These are basic instructions for connecting your Windows 8 computer to the BelleNet wireless network. If you have any questions about the process described in the Quick Start guide, please refer to the complete step-by-step instructions in *Connecting with Windows 8.1 to ResNet*.

1. Set up your computer in your residence hall room and turn the computer on.
2. Connect to the **BelleNet** wireless network.
3. If prompted, you may complete the network registration for your computer on BelleNet at this time. Read the *Responsible Use of College Computers and the Internet @ Saint Mary's College*, check the boxes indicating your understanding and acceptance of highlighted items in the policy, enter your Saint Mary's username and password where prompted, and click Submit.
4. After completing the network registration, **restart your computer** to complete the network configuration process.

If you were not prompted to complete the network registration, please continue with these instructions through Step 8, then try connecting to the BelleNet wireless network again.

You will need to continue the remaining steps in this document to be completely connected to the campus network and be able to successfully access necessary network resources.

5. Make sure that you have Administrator access to your own computer with a local account.
 - Control Panel -> (View by: Small icons) -> User Accounts.
 - The local account needs to be an administrator account.
 - The local account name should be your Saint Mary's user name.
 - If you created or edited a local account, restart the computer and log in with the local administrator account.
6. Check your network settings.
 - Control Panel -> Network and Sharing Center -> Change adapter settings -> right-click on Wireless Network Connection/Wi-Fi -> select Properties
 - Double-click on Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)
 - Obtain an IP address automatically must be selected.
 - Obtain DNS server address automatically must be selected.

7. Name your computer and join the SMC Workgroup. The computer name identifies your computer to other computers on the network, and including your username ensures your computer is both recognizable and has a name that will not conflict with another student's computer. Joining the SMC Workgroup is required for access to network drives.
 - Control Panel -> System -> Computer name, domain, and workgroup settings -> Change settings -> Computer Description field -> *your Saint Mary's user name-pc* (e.g., msmith01)
 - Change... -> Computer Name field -> *your Saint Mary's user name-pc* (e.g., msmith01)
 - Workgroup -> type *SMC*
8. Restart your computer and log in with your administrator account.

You will need to continue the remaining steps below to protect your computer from security threats and to access the personal and shared network drives on campus.

9. Your computer should be set to automatically check for updates to ensure the best protection against security threats. We recommend that you manually check for and install any available Windows updates at this time.
 - Windows 8: <http://sites.saintmarys.edu/~resnet/resnetfaq/windows8update.html>
10. Connect to your personal network drive. Students have 10GB of disk space on our network to save their files. This space is accessible from any networked computer on campus, and is a secure and backed up location to save your files. Referred to as the H: drive for Windows computers on campus, it is referred to as a personal network drive on Macs.
 - http://sites.saintmarys.edu/~resnet/resnetfaq/fs1_8resnet.html
11. Connect to the SMC shared network drive. Students have access to various shared resources, depending on their major, course materials needed, and campus employment. All Students have access to the shared network drive named SMC (also known as the P: drive). The contents of the folders in that drive will be visible only to the individuals with permission to view them.
 - http://sites.saintmarys.edu/~resnet/resnetfaq/mavis_8resnet.html
12. Install Bitdefender, the free security software that Saint Mary's College provides to students. All computers connected to BelleNet are required to have up-to-date security software installed. It is strongly recommended that you install the security software provided by Saint Mary's College, which will automatically update its virus signatures and application when updates are available as long as the Autopilot feature is enabled (recommended), and it provides active protection from malware threats.
 - Details at www.saintmarys.edu/virus
 - We recommend that you do not enable Bitdefender Anti-Tracker extension in your web browsers, since it will prevent access to Google Drive.