

- ❖ **Operating system (OS):** The interface between computer hardware and the user
- ❖ **Legacy operating system:** An operating system that is outdated but still being used
- ❖ **Basic Input/Output System (BIOS):** A microchip that contains loading instructions for the computer and is prevalent in older systems
- ❖ **Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI):** A microchip that contains loading instructions for the computer and replaces BIOS on more modern systems
- ❖ The BIOS and UEFI chips both perform the same function for booting the computer. Most new computers include a UEFI chip because it provides enhanced security features.
- ❖ **Bootloader:** A software program that boots the operating system
- ❖ **Graphical user interface (GUI):** A user interface that uses icons on the screen to manage different tasks on the computer
- ❖ **Command-line interface (CLI):** A text-based user interface that uses commands to interact with the computer