APPLE DEVICE IMPLEMENTATION CONSIDERATION CHECKLIST

DEVICE MANAGEMENT & DEPLOYMENT

Deployment Model: 1:1 (personally enabled) or shared (non-personal) or a combination?
Will we be supporting BYOD (bring your own device) ?
Will we need to support devices remotely? Nationally? Internationally?
What are the required applications or Apps we plan to deploy?
Where are these app installers located (App Store, third-party websites, etc.) ?
Will there be optional Apps? Will we need to provide a catalog for self-service install of these?
When we prepare to deploy these, do we need to use a 3 rd party vendor's tools or scripts?
Will we require role-based management of the MDM for support personnel?
(Education only) Do we need to support Apple Classroom or related tools?
Which Apple products will we manage?
Will we need to support macOS? How many?
Will we need to support iPad/iOS? How many?
Will we need to support tvOS? How many AppleTV units?
Do we need to manage Android and/or Windows with the same product?
How many users does our organization have?
Are we going to integrate our existing directory service with the MDM solution?
Are we going to need to support Single Sign On (SSO) ?
Is our authentication system in the cloud or only on premises?
Will we allow/accept a cloud-based MDM solution or must it be self-hosted?
Do we need to follow any kinds of privacy or geographical data regulations (HIPPA, etc.)?
Do we have any devices that are not allowed to connect to the Internet?
Do we need to integrate any endpoint management system or software?
VPN support required?
Proxy support required?
What is our patch and software update strategy?
Do we need to block certain processes or Apps/applications on the devices?
Will we require assistance with configuration and setup of the MDM solution?
Will IT staff require support training? Certification?
What is our strategy for training end-users with the new technology?

NETWORK REQUIREMENTS

Do we have multiple VLANs or segments?
Do we have any network security that may impact Apple Services such as Bonjour?
What is our current wireless coverage and device capacity?
What is our 'future state' wireless coverage and device capacity needs?
Do we have a captive Wi-Fi portal?
What kind of Wi-Fi security is in place? Can users join or does IT need to configure a device for access?
Will employees and guests use separate networks?
(Education only) Are students segmented to a different network from staff/faculty?
Is remote access or remote connectivity required? How is remote connectivity handled today?
Are you self-hosting your MDM solution? If yes, consider all the network requirements.
Is content filtering required? How is that handled today?
Is your network primarily a 'Cisco' network? If yes, consider the optimization options.
Are you able to open the TCP ports required for APNs and MDM communication?
Are you able to white-list the entire 17.0.0.0/8 address block for Apple communication?