What’s New for Enterprise

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Take advantage of new features for business in iOS 11.3 and macOS High Sierra 10.13.4. These software updates provide additional device deployment and management capabilities. And new iWork features and developer opportunities introduce even more ways to collaborate, create, and engage.

Manage software updates on iOS
With iOS 11.3 and later, IT can delay over-the-air device updates by users, so there is time and flexibility to complete a thorough certification. Once IT has certified a version of iOS, they can choose which version users should download and install. Then IT can directly push the update to all employees.

Apply managed data policies to Contacts
Contacts in iOS now respects Open In management by keeping corporate contact data in managed apps, and preventing personal contacts from moving to managed apps.

Additional iOS enhancements
IT can now enable and disable Bluetooth on supervised devices, skip the Quick Start and Privacy screens during initial setup, and reinstall deleted system apps with an MDM command.

New macOS management capabilities
macOS High Sierra 10.13.4 introduces changes to user-approved kernel extension loading, 32-bit apps, content caching, and device management. A new command line tool can now automate an erase and reinstallation of macOS as well as installation of additional packages, enabling quicker redeployment methods for IT.

Collaborate in real time with iWork and Box
Users can now collaborate in real time with Pages, Numbers, and Keynote files stored on Box. Teams can simultaneously make changes to a document, and easily view changes as they’re made. In addition to sharing folders on Box, users can now share and collaborate on single files. Users signed into Box from a browser on Mac or PC can also preview, edit, and create new iWork files online.

Additional new iWork features
New iWork features introduce even more ways to create powerful documents, spreadsheets, and presentations. Draw, sketch, or write with Apple Pencil in Pages, Numbers, and Keynote. Bring documents to life with diagrams, illustrations, and annotations. Book creation is also now available in Pages for iOS and macOS, making it easy for anyone to create interactive digital books.

Engage customers through Business Chat
Business Chat is a new way for users to communicate directly with businesses right within Messages. It’s easy to have a conversation with a service representative, schedule an appointment, or make purchases using Apple Pay in the Messages app.

Create new AR experiences
ARKit 1.5 delivers new features that let developers create an even more realistic user experience in their apps. Improved scene understanding lets apps recognize and place virtual objects on vertical surfaces, and more accurately map irregularly shaped surfaces. Real-world images, such as signs and posters, can now be integrated into AR experiences.

Apple Business Manager
Apple Business Manager is a simple web-based portal that lets IT administrators manage people, Apple devices, and content all from one place. This service will allow organizations to streamline their device enrollment process, purchase apps and books, and assign necessary privileges to enable their deployment, all from one centralized place.

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