

Amazon rolls out new Echo Show smart video displays, including version for kids

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Amazon is rolling out new versions of its Echo devices with screens, including its first model for kids.

On Wednesday, Amazon announced the Echo Show 8, a high-end version featuring an 8-inch HD screen, 13-megapixel wide-angle camera, and dual stereo speakers.

The [new camera](#) will automatically pan and zoom to ensure users stay centered in the frame during [video calls](#), Amazon says.

Users can also take Zoom calls from the Echo Show, and take advantage of augmented reality effects.

The Echo Show 8 costs \$129.99. It's available for pre-order starting Wednesday and ships next month.

Amazon is also releasing a more compact, affordable model called Echo Show 5, with a 5.5-inch display. It's available for \$84.99 in charcoal, glacier white, and deep sea blue.

There's also a child-friendly version of the device, Echo Show 5 Kids (\$94.99), that boasts personalized home screens with special kid themes, and support from video calls from contacts approved by parents. It also includes a free one-year membership to Amazon Kids+, which offers a variety of entertainment and education content.

"With these new Echo Show devices, we focused on communications," said Tom Taylor, [senior vice president](#) for Amazon Alexa in a statement.

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