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Welcome parents!

The Strasburg C-3 School district is excited to be heading into its second school year being 1:1. Students and teachers will be able to utilize endless resources to enhance their learning with this technology.

Enclosed in this packet is a copy of the Chromebook Handbook Policy as well as the Acceptable Use Policy. You and your student will need to read through all of the information enclosed and then sign and return the following documents with a \$25 technology fee per student. If you qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch, the technology fee will be adjusted.

Digitally Accept:

1. Policy Handbook
2. Chromebook Technology Agreement
3. Strasburg C-3 Technology Acceptable Use Policy

Please submit to Pam Mollenhour:

1. \$25 technology fee (Must be paid before Chromebooks will be distributed)

All forms can be found on the district website: <http://www.strasburg.k12.mo.us/>

We are thrilled to provide this opportunity to our students! Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Pam Mollenhour
Art/Library/Technology

Strasburg C-3, Chromebook Policy Handbook



The policies, procedures, and information within this document apply to all Chromebooks used at Strasburg C-3 School District by students, staff, or guests including any other device considered by the Administration to fall under this policy.

Teachers may set additional requirements for Chromebook use in their classrooms.



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Receiving your Chromebook:

Chromebooks will be distributed upon collection of yearly technology fee and submission of signed documents. This document will need to be signed and returned during registration.

Yearly Technology Fee

The Strasburg C-3 School District will be following the practice of collecting a Chromebook Technology fee each school year beginning in August 2021 for students in grades 3rd-8th. This practice is followed by other one-to-one districts in the State of Missouri and across the nation. The fees are applied to the accidental damage costs for repairs. The annual fee amount will be \$25.00, and will be collected prior to students receiving their Chromebook. For Families with more than 1 child, the fees will go as follows, 1 child \$25.00, 2 children \$35.00, 3 children \$45.00, and 4 or more \$50.00. There will be a cap of \$50.00 per family per school year.

If you qualify for free or reduced lunch the fee will be \$10.00 per student with a cap of \$30.00 per family per school year. The Chromebook Technology fee will not be reimbursed to students at the end of the year or when leaving the district. This fee covers the cost of the first accidental damage and repair needed for a Chromebook. Additional damages will be charged to the families.

Estimated Costs of Repairs: (Subject to Change)

- Replacement of the Chromebook (\$353.03 for devices purchased by Strasburg C-3)
- AC Adapter and power cord- \$30
- Battery- \$98
- Protection Case- \$20
- Screen Replacement- \$50
- Top Cover- \$23
- Screen Bezel- \$29
- Keyboard- \$40
- Bottom Case- \$27
- Power Port- \$12
- LCD Video Cable- \$27

Return

Students who turn in a device at the end of the year, will get back what they turn in the next school year. If no charger is turned in, they will not get one until the fees have been paid. Any student who no longer attends the Strasburg C-3 School District will be required to return their Chromebook and all peripherals checked out to the student. If a Chromebook and peripherals are not returned, the parent/guardian will be held responsible for payment in full at the current replacement costs. **If payment is not received the parent/guardian will be turned over to a collection agency and reported as stolen property of the Strasburg C-3 School District.**

Good Digital Citizen Credit

If your child takes good care of his or her Chromebook, there will be a \$10 Credit on their account the following year.

Taking Care of Your Chromebook:

Students are responsible for the general care of the Chromebook issued by the school. Chromebooks that are broken or fail to work properly must be taken to the Library Media Center. If a loaner Chromebook is needed, one may be issued to the student until their Chromebook can be repaired or replaced.

General Precautions:

- Food or Drink is not recommended near your Chromebook.
- Cords, Cables, and removable storage devices must be inserted carefully into the Chromebook.
- Students should never carry their Chromebook while the screen is open.
- Chromebooks should be shut down when not in use to conserve battery life.
- Do not expose your Chromebook to extreme temperatures or direct sunlight for extended periods of time. Extreme heat or cold may cause damage to the Chromebook.
- Always bring your Chromebook to room temperature prior to turning it on.

Carrying the Chromebook

The protective shell of the Chromebook will only provide basic protection from everyday use. It is not designed to prevent damage from drops or abusive handling.

Screen Care

The Chromebook screen can be damaged if subjected to rough treatment. The screens are particularly sensitive to damage from excessive pressure on the screen.

- Do not lean on top of the Chromebook.
- Do not place anything near the Chromebook that could put pressure on the screen.
- Do not poke the screen.
- Do not place anything on the keyboard before closing the lid (e.g. pens, pencils, notebooks).
- Do not place the Chromebook on the floor where it could be kicked or stepped on. Clean the screen with a soft, dry anti-static, or micro-fiber cloth.
- Do not use window cleaner or any type of liquid or water on the Chromebook. Packaged pre-moistened eyeglass lens cleaning tissues may be used to clean the screen.

Using Your Chromebook:

At School

The Chromebook is intended for use at school each and every day. In addition to teacher expectations for Chromebook use, school messages, announcements, calendars, academic handbooks, student handbooks, and schedules can be accessed using the Chromebook. Students must be responsible for bringing their Chromebook to all classes, unless specifically advised not to do so by their teacher.

At Home

Students grades 3-8 who have paid their technology fee may take their Chromebook home each night throughout the school year for charging. Chromebooks must be brought to school each day in a fully charged condition. Students need to charge their Chromebooks each evening. Repeated failure to charge your Chromebook may result in a referral to administration and possible disciplinary action. When fully charged at home, the battery should last throughout the day.

While using the Chromebook at home, students should keep the Chromebook in a safe location to avoid damage.

Sound

Sound must be muted at all times unless permission is obtained from the teacher for instructional purposes.

Printing

The Chromebook will not support a physical printer connection. Printing of documents for school purposes can be done at school through the school network.

Printing of unauthorized documents or pictures could result in loss of network privileges.

Managing Your Files and Saving Your Work

Students may save documents to their Google Drive. Saving to Google Drive will make the file accessible from any computer with internet access. It will be the responsibility of the student to maintain the integrity of their files and keep proper backups.

Software on Chromebooks:

Originally Installed Software

All Chromebooks are supplied with the latest build of Google Chrome Operating System (OS), and many other applications useful in an educational environment. The Chrome OS will automatically install updates when the computer is shut down and restarted. The software originally installed on the Chromebook must remain on the Chromebook in usable condition and easily accessible at all times.

From time to time the school may add software or apps for use in a particular course. This process will be automatic with virtually no impact on students. Applications that are no longer needed will automatically be removed by the school as well.

Additional Software

Students are unable to install additional software on their Chromebook other than what has been approved by the Strasburg C-3 School District.

Inspection

Students may be selected at random to provide their Chromebook for inspection. The purpose for inspection will be to check for proper care and maintenance as well as inappropriate material being carried into school. Inappropriate use or content will be subject to disciplinary action.

Procedure for Restoring the Chrome OS

If technical difficulties occur the device may be restored to factory settings. All student created files stored on an external miniSD card, USB flash drive, or Google Drive will be intact after the operating system is restored. All files saved on the Chromebook *that have been synced to Google Drive* will be intact. However, all other data (music, photos, documents) *stored on internal memory that has **not** been synced* will not be restored unless the student requests that an attempt be made to salvage it.

Personalizing the Chromebook:

Chromebooks must remain free from any decorative writing, drawing, stickers, paint, tape, or labels that are not the property of the Strasburg C-3 School District. Spot checks for compliance will be done by administration or technicians at any time.

Students may add appropriate music, photos, and videos to their Chromebook. Personalized media are subject to inspection and must follow the Strasburg C-3 School District Acceptable use policy.

Protecting and Storing Your Chromebook:

Chromebook Identification

Chromebooks will be labeled in the manner specified by the school.

Chromebooks can be identified in the following ways:

- Chromebook identification number on lid/serial number on bottom.
- Strasburg C-3 Barcode
- Students name on the lid.

Under no circumstances are students to modify, remove, or destroy identification labels.

Storing Your Chromebook

When students are not using their Chromebook, it should be stored in their cubby or carried with them. Students that have paid their insurance need to take their Chromebook home with them every night. The Chromebook should be charged fully each night at the student's home. Chromebooks should never be stored in a vehicle for an extended period of time, especially during times of extreme temperatures.

Storing Chromebooks at Extracurricular Events

Students are responsible for securely storing their Chromebook during extra-curricular events.

Chromebooks left in Unsupervised/Unsecured Areas

Under no circumstance should a Chromebook be stored in unsupervised areas. Unsupervised areas include: the school grounds, the cafeteria, unlocked classrooms, library, locker rooms, hallways, bathrooms, extra-curricular bus, in a car, or any other entity that is not securely locked or in which there is supervision.

Unsupervised Chromebooks will be confiscated by staff and taken to the Principal's office. Disciplinary action may be taken for leaving a Chromebook in an unsupervised location.

Repairing or Replacing Your Chromebook:

Chromebooks Undergoing Repair for Damage

- The school will assess the damage and repair or replace the device if the damage is determined to be within policy guidelines.
- Loaner Chromebooks that can be taken home at the end of the day will only be issued to students who have paid their technology fee when they leave their Chromebook for repair at the Library Media Center.
- Day Use Chromebooks will be available for students until the technology fee is paid. Day Use Chromebooks will be collected at the end of each day.
- If repair is needed due to malicious damage, the school will refuse to provide a loaner Chromebook unless full replacement cost has been rendered prior.
- Repaired Chromebooks will end up with the original factory image as received. It is important that students keep their school data synced to the cloud drives so documents and class projects will not be lost. Personal information that cannot be replaced should be kept at home on an external storage device.
- Students and parents will be charged for Chromebook damage that is a result of misuse or abusive handling.

Chromebooks Undergoing Repair for Technical Issues

- Loaner Chromebooks will be issued to students who bring their Chromebook to the Library Media Center with technical issues that would be considered factory defects and not damage caused by student misuse.
- If the Chromebook is under warranty, a loaner Chromebook will be issued to the student while the Chromebook needing repair is sent back to the manufacturer.

Loss or Theft Protection

The school district is requiring a technology fee prior to the deployment of the Chromebook to your child. The fee will cover accidental damage or loss due to an act of nature. However, the fee will not cover loss or theft of the Chromebook and /or its accessories. The district will require that a police report be submitted in cases of theft. Fraudulent reporting of theft will be turned over to the police for possible prosecution. A student making a false report will also be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the school discipline code.

Parents/Students will be charged for full replacement cost of a device that has been damaged due to intentional misuse, loss, or theft.

Chromebook Technical Support:

The Library Media Center will be the first point of contact for the following items in need of attention of the Chromebooks.

- Password Identification
- User account support

- Coordination of warranty repair
- Distribution of loaner Chromebooks
- Hardware maintenance and repair
- Operating System of software configuration support
- Restoring Chromebook factory default
- System software updates

Privacy and Safety

- Do not go into any chat rooms other than those set up by your teacher or mandated in other distance learning courses.
- Do not open, use, or change computer files that do not belong to you.
- Do not reveal your full name, phone number, home address, social security number, credit card numbers, passwords, or passwords of other people.
- Remember that network storage is not guaranteed to be private or confidential. District Administration reserves the right to inspect your files at any time and will take the necessary steps if files are in violation of the district's Acceptable Use Policy.
- If you inadvertently access a website that contains obscene, pornographic, or otherwise offensive material, notify your teacher or the principal immediately so that such sites can be blocked from further access. This is not merely a request, it is a responsibility.
- Parents are encouraged to monitor their child's internet activity and internet usage periods.

Legal Propriety

- All students and staff must comply with trademark and copyright laws and all license agreements. Ignorance of the law is not immunity. If you are unsure, ask the network administrator if you are in compliance with the law.
- Plagiarism is a violation of the school discipline code. Give credit to all sources used, whether quoted or summarized. This includes all forms of media on the internet, such as graphics, movies, music, and text.

Email

- Students' email will be set up through the district Google email account. The interface is heavily monitored by district network administrators and is subject to filtering of inappropriate content.
- Always use appropriate language.
- Do not transmit language/material that is profane, obscene, abusive, or offensive to others.
- Do not send mass emails, chain letters, or spam.
- No private chatting during class without permission is allowed.
- Email is subject to inspection at any time by school administration.

Consequences

- Students will be responsible for accounts and/or computer hardware used to them. Noncompliance with the policies within the Chromebook Policy Handbook or the district Acceptable Use Policy will result in disciplinary action as outlined by the discipline code and/or other school policies.

- Electronic mail, network usage, and all stored files shall not be considered confidential and may be monitored at any time by the network administrator or other school administrators to ensure appropriate use. The district will cooperate fully with local, state or federal officials in any investigation concerning or relating to violations of computer crime laws.

Technology Acceptable Use Policy:

The school's technology exists for the purpose of enhancing the educational opportunities and achievement of district students. The purpose of the policy is to facilitate access to district technology and to create a safe environment to which to use that technology.



Technology Acceptable Use Agreement

Student Signature of Agreement: Parent/guardian is responsible to read and review this information with their student. Rules of conduct are described in this “Student Acceptable Use Agreement for the Strasburg C-3 School District” and apply when the electronic information system is in use. I understand any violation of the above provisions will result in the loss of my user account and may result in further disciplinary and/or legal action, including but not limited to suspension or expulsion, or referral to legal authorities. I therefore agree to maintain acceptable standards and to report any misuse of the system to the appropriate teacher or administrator. Also, should I choose to “publish” on the internet, I will work under the guidance of a content sponsoring teacher. Misuse or violation of this agreement comes in many forms, but can be viewed as any messages, information or sexism, harassment, in appropriate language, and/or other listings previously described in this used agreement. I agree to report any misuse of the electronic information resources to my principal, teacher/supervisor or systems administrator.

I have read this Acceptable Use Agreement and understand that internet sites are filtered and that internet use on my district computer may be monitored. I hereby agree to comply with the above described conditions of acceptable use.

PARENT/GUARDIAN: I understand that my child’s use of the district’s technology resources is not private and that the school district may monitor my child’s electronic communications and all other use of district technology resources. I consent to district interception of or access to all of my child’s electronic communications using district technology resources as well as downloaded material and all data stored on the district’s technology resources, including deleted files, pursuant to state and federal law, even if the district’s technology resources are accessed remotely. As the parent or guardian of the student, I have read this Acceptable Use Agreement and understand that internet sites are filtered and that electronic information resource accounts may be monitored. I understand my child may be disciplined for inappropriate or unacceptable use of electronic information resources. I further understand that student use of the electronic information resource system is designed for educational purposes. I understand that it is impossible for the Strasburg C-3 School District to filter or restrict access to all inappropriate materials. I will not hold the Strasburg C-3 School District responsible for inappropriate or unacceptable materials my child may acquire on the network system.

I hereby give my permission and approve the issuance of an electronic account for my child.

PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

I have read this Acceptable Use Agreement and understand that internet sites are filtered and that electronic information resource accounts may be monitored.

I understand that violation of these provisions may result in disciplinary action taken against my child including, but not limited to, suspension or revocation of my child's access to district technology and suspension or expulsion from school. I understand that my child's use of the district's technology resources is not private and that the school district may monitor my child's electronic communications and all other use of district technology resources. I consent to district interception of or access to all of my child's electronic communications using district technology resources as well as downloaded material and all data stored on the district's technology resources, including deleted files, pursuant to state and federal law, even if the district's technology resources are accessed remotely. I agree to be responsible for any unauthorized costs arising from use of the district's technology resources by my child. I agree to be responsible for any damages incurred by my child.

I further understand that student use of the electronic information resource system is designed for educational purposes.

I recognize that the district has initiated reasonable safeguards to filter and monitor inappropriate materials. I understand that it is impossible for the Strasburg C-3 School District to filter or restrict access to all inappropriate materials. I will not hold the Strasburg C-3 School District responsible for inappropriate or unacceptable materials my child may acquire on the network system.

Student's Printed Name: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Strasburg C-3 School District

Chromebook Technology Fee Form

Student's Name: _____ School Year: _____

Technology Fee Coverage:

The District understands that an electronic device can be broken. In an effort to contain costs, we have instituted a Technology Fee Policy to assist parents with repair and replacement. Families are required to pay the fee in order for their student to take the Chromebook home.

Costs:

Annual Fee: \$25.00 (non-refundable)

Deductible: 1st incident free, 2nd incident: \$50.00, 3rd incident: 100% cost to repair.

Coverage:

The following items will be covered under the policy

- Accidental damage
- Fire, Flood or natural disaster
- Theft (excluding listed items) the theft must be reported to the police and the police report submitted to school.

The following items are not covered under the policy

- Loss
- Intentional Damage
- Theft that occurs when Chromebook is not properly secured
 - Left In an unlocked area or vehicle
 - Left in an unsecured book bag

Replacement:

The Cost to replace a Chromebook that is lost or damaged through misuse or negligence and , therefore, not covered by the fee will be based upon the cost to purchase a replacement through the district technology provider (July 2021 is \$302.85). Charging cord is based upon cost to replace through online retail purchase.

A family will not have to pay more than \$50.00 annually for the premium. The fee is good for one school year and is not carried over from year to year.

Technology Fee Amount Received _____

Parent/Guardian Printed
Name: _____

Parent/Guardian
Signature: _____ Date: _____