

Policy: Chromebooks

The Taunton Public School District agrees to lend to the student one Chromebook laptop device and charger in good working order. It is the student's responsibility to care for the equipment and ensure that it is retained in a safe environment. This equipment is, and at all times remains, the Property of the Taunton Public Schools and is lent to the student for educational purposes only. We ask that online usage and websites should be monitored by parents and/or legal guardians.

A: Laptop Loan Arrangements

1. The Chromebook will be provided to students on a “loan-for-use-basis” from the district for the duration of the loan period.
2. Chromebook users are expected to follow all guidelines and policies established by the Student Handbook and the District Acceptable Use Policy.
3. The students may have personal access to the Chromebook, during and outside of school hours for the duration of the loan period.
4. The Chromebook and accessories remain the property of the district and will be returned at the end of loan period.
5. The Chromebook usage may be monitored and/or checked by the district at any time for content that contravenes the Acceptable Use Policy, or other district policies for any material deemed not suitable.
6. No permanent personalization of the device or charger is acceptable under this agreement.

B: Termination

This agreement will cease:

1. When equipment is returned in satisfactory condition at the end of the loan period at a time designated by school leadership.
2. Where the student leaves the District prior to the end of the school year. If a student ceases to be enrolled at the school, he or she is to return the laptop to the district in full working order, including all accessories and components.
3. Where the student uses the device for inappropriate and/or offensive purposes as determined by school administration.

C: Access to Wireless

1. The Chromebook is to be used at home and connected to home networks, district hotspot and/or personal Internet services for student use outside of school. It is the student's responsibility not to access or download any inappropriate material from the Internet.
2. This Chromebook does have [CIPA \(Children's Internet Protection Act\)](#) compliant internet filtering installed for home use. However, families should monitor internet usage to ensure that students visit websites that are appropriate and for educational purposes only.

D: Damage and Failure to Return

1. At the discretion of the administration, if a device is lost, stolen or accidentally damaged, the parent/guardian may be liable for the repair or replacement costs.
2. Taunton Public Schools students and families are responsible for the general care of the Chromebooks utilized at school and home. If the device is damaged and/or inoperable as a result of willful action or negligence, the student's family may be charged a fine for repair according to the schedule below:

Complete Replacement due to destruction	\$250.00
LCD Screen	\$65.00
Keyboard and Touchpad	\$90.00
AC Adapter	\$30.00

Fee Information

Upon damage verification from a school administrator, a letter will be sent home via email or directly to the student explaining the fees and repairs. These fees may remain as charges on the student's record until resolved and may result in records being held by Taunton Public Schools until the fees, fines and charges are paid.

E: Responsibilities

1. Students are responsible for managing Chromebook use and care outside of school. A school assigned Google account (firstname.lastname@tauntonschools.net) is necessary to log into the Chromebooks. No one other than the issued student will be allowed to log into the Chromebook.
2. Additional programs, apps, or other content may not be installed on the Chromebook by anyone other than approved District personnel. The district reserves the right to remove any content which interferes with learning or is otherwise deemed inappropriate (e.g., creates unacceptable risk to the student, property or District).
4. This device is not intended to be used for Social Media purposes. Visiting Snapchat, Instagram, Tic tok, etc. are not permitted on this device. Cyberbullying and harassment would be in direct violation of our Acceptable Use Policy.

By digitally signing: I agree to the guidelines and procedures outlined on this form and agree to take full responsibility for the technology device.