



CHROMEBOOK 1:1 (SENIOR YEARS)

Supporting Deeper Learning



INTRODUCTION

The goal of the Hanover School Division is to achieve Deeper Learning through dynamic learning environments, collaborative learning partnerships, current pedagogical practices, and leveraging digital technology. By embedding digital technologies into classroom practice, we accelerate, amplify, and add value to learning.

Chromebook 1:1 will enhance learning by creating a personalized student-centred learning environment, where every student in Grades 9 & 10 has access to a Chromebook in school and at home. This 1:1 environment will further support collaborative inquiry, and expand learning beyond the classroom.

Requirements

- Student has a signed Responsible Use of Technology Agreement on file (Digital Citizenship)
- Student and Parents/Guardians have reviewed the Chromebook 1:1 Policy FAQ and Guidelines as listed on www.HSD.ca
- Student and Parents/Guardians have read and accepted the Chromebook 1:1 User Agreement



WHY A CHROMEBOOK?

A Chromebook is a laptop, running Chrome OS as its operating system. It is designed to be used primarily while connected to the Internet. Chromebooks have fast startup, are known to be reliable, require low maintenance and are not susceptible to software viruses. Chromebook also integrates seamlessly with Google Apps for Education (GAFE).

WHO WILL BE RECEIVING CHROMEBOOKS?

In the fall of 2016, all students in Grades 9 & 10 will receive a new HP 11 G4 EE Chromebook. This is the 4th generation of the HP Chromebook, the first in a rugged shell for educational use. This is the first phase of the 1:1 learning environment, additional grades will participate in future years.

CHROMEBOOK 1:1 FAQ

Are students required to purchase the Chromebook?

No. The Chromebook is a school resource. Just as HSD currently provides textbooks and other instructional materials, the division will also supply the Chromebooks at no cost to students.

Who owns the Chromebook?

HSD owns the Chromebook at all times. The device and charger are loaned to the student for educational use and must be returned at the end of the school year.

Do parents/guardians need to sign an agreement prior to their children receiving the Chromebook?

Yes. Any student under the age of 18 will require parental/guardian consent (a signed Chromebook 1:1 User Agreement). This agreement indicates responsibilities, limitations, and liabilities for device usage.



Can I opt-out my child from receiving a Chromebook?

Yes, although we highly recommend that all parents/guardians agree to participate. Without a Chromebook, your child may not have after-school access to school work or collaboration opportunities in the same way other students do. Each school will have a limited amount of Chromebooks available for use (sign-out) during school hours. If opt-out is preferred, please contact your child's school to discuss further.

Will any sensitive or personal information be stored on the Chromebook?

No. Data is not stored locally on a Chromebook. If device is lost, there is no concern regarding data.

Will students use their Chromebook in classes?

Chromebooks are a great device for accessing the web, typing notes, doing research, and a host of other tasks using a variety of web-based applications. Chromebooks will be used at each teacher's discretion to help meet the needs of their class. By providing a mobile device to each student we believe the curriculum will be enhanced, by extending learning opportunities both inside and outside of our classrooms.

Does my child need Internet service at home for this device to work?

No. The Chromebook can be used offline. If access to the Internet is preferred or needed, the device can connect through home Wi-fi, or via a hot spot at a public library/local business.

Will Chromebook Internet content be filtered?

Yes. HSD provides filtered network access when at school. When away from school, Chromebooks have built-in Internet content filtering that cannot be turned off by students. Although content is filtered, it is important to note that no filter is 100% effective. Internet content changes rapidly and no filter can keep up. The HSD filters are updated in real-time (as soon as updates are available).

What if the Chromebook is lost, stolen, or damaged?

Students are fully responsible for device protection and care at all times. Parents/Guardians have the option to pay \$15 (per school year) for Chromebook insurance. This non-refundable insurance premium fully protects against loss/damage of a Chromebook. If insurance option is chosen, payment is due upon the signing of the Chromebook 1:1 User Agreement. Coverage allows for a maximum of two claims per school year:

First Claim - No charge

Second Claim - Parents/Guardians pay additional \$50 deductible

Third Claim - Parents/Guardians responsible for full cost of repairs/replacement

Parents/Guardians declining insurance coverage assume full risk of loss, theft, and damage in all circumstances, and agree to pay the lesser of device repairs, or device replacement cost (value \$325).

Hardware defects, or repair issues resulting from normal wear/tear, will be repaired at no cost to the student and not require a claim. Complete details of insurance coverage and terms can be viewed at www.HSD.ca.

Where can I obtain additional information about this Senior Years Initiative and Deeper Learning Plan?

Complete details, including user agreement, and additional resources are available for viewing at www.HSD.ca, or contact your school directly to inquire further.

