Laurel Highlands School District

1:1 Tech Initiative - Parent/Student Orientation

Presentation Outcomes Parents/Students will:

- Be knowledgeable of our Technology District Mission
- Be knowledgeable about why we chose the Chromebook
- Be familiar with Chromebook functions & G-Suite
- Be knowledgeable about safeguards in place
- Be knowledgeable of privacy issues with devices & the district's commitment to transparency
- Be knowledgeable of your role in this initiative

LHSD Technology Mission

The mission of the Laurel Highlands School District's 1:1 Technology Initiative is to continue to provide students with opportunities for exposure to technology platforms, while providing students with their own device, requiring responsibility, digital citizenship, and other soft skill development.

Who gets a device?

- Students in grades 6 12 will be issued a Chromebook
- Students in grades K 5 will use class Chromebooks (but will be issued during remote or identified instructional lessons)

1:1 Chromebook Initiative Vision

- To increase our ability to **deliver flexible**, **high-quality learning opportunities** through multiple modes of tech. and textbooks
- To increase individualized learning opportunities for students
- To allow students to participate in realistic and authentic learning experiences that will translate into success in post-secondary education and in the workforce
- To have our students implement this technology in a safe and responsible manner, while understanding the importance of appropriate Digital Citizenship

Why the Chromebook?



Why the Chromebook?

- Affordability
- Google G-Suite Compatibility
- Admin Console
- Battery Life
- Instant Updates and Malware Protection
- Simple Operating System

Internet Connectivity

- All Chromebooks will require WIFI to work online
- G-Suite Apps (Docs, Sheets, Slides, Drive) accessible offline
 - The Offline function will allow student work to be saved and will update to the
 Drive once the computer establishes an internet connection
 - To turn on offline access follow the below steps:
 - Open Google Drive
 - At the top right, Click settings
 - Click the box "offline"
 - To work online, in your Chromebook browser, open your Google Docs, Sheets or Slide
- Discounted Internet Connectivity Programs
 - Many internet providers are now offering discounted rates, please reach out to your provider to see if you qualify

Ihsd.org Google Account

- Every student is assigned a District Google account;
 which is the only account that can log into the Chromebook
 - Username: <u>Grad Year. FirstName.LastName@lhsd.org</u>
 - Password: 5-Digit ID Number 5-Digit ID Number (1234512345) RECOMMEND YOU CHANGE YOUR PASSWORD!
- Lhsd.org is our domain, which provides a level of security
 - We can block questionable sites within the domain

G - SUITE FOR EDUCATION

G Suite for Education provides a core set of tools within Google Drive that allow teachers and students to create, collaborate and access their work from any device



MANY G-SUITE TOOLS AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS!























EASE OF COLLABORATION

Students and teachers can seamlessly save work and collaborate both synchronously and asynchronously.





*Cloud-based drive can be accessed from any computer or web-enabled device

*All Google documents automatically save into Google Drive

*24/7 Access to your Google Drive from any computer

*Shared documents from other users are placed in your shared folder of your drive



 Students will have their own email account

 Allows for more collaboration with classmates and teachers

• 24/7 Access to message your teachers, send assignments, etc.

 All emails in the domain will be recorded per CIPA (Child Internet Protection Act)



Google Classroom ~ Increase collaboration between students, teachers, and parents with one application

 A digital platform that teachers will be able to utilize for lessons, assignments & daily classroom activities

Similar to college/universities

Technology Protection Plan / **Accidental** Insurance

• \$40 "first-time" use of accidental damage

Does <u>not</u> cover intentional damage

- Once utilized for repair or replacement, you may purchase it again for \$50
- Recommended for protection

District Safeguards

 Chromebooks contain filters that prevent questionable and unauthorized internet searches, even from home

 "Google Safe Search" is an additional filter layer that filters images that are explicit or inappropriate

 The internet filters that are deployed are CIPA (Child Internet Protection Act) compliant & help to assure students do not reach objectionable content

Transparency for Parents

LHSD and it's Administrative Team feel obliged to state that complete transparency exists on privacy issues with regard to the Chromebook device.

- We <u>DO NOT</u> have the ability to remotely view from the chromebook cameras
- We do use a program that monitors student internet searches, computer history, and computer use when in the classroom.
- No filtering is foolproof, nor is it a substitute for adult supervision when using the internet

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 In the event that a Chromebook is stolen, LHSD has the ability to disable it and rendered useless

If the device is "wiped," the device will automatically attempt to re-enroll the @lhsd.org domain, making it unusable

Parental / Student Roles

While we have procedural safeguards in place, it's important to be aware of the digital footprint your student leaves behind. We ask families to...

- Review the district's 1-to-1 Chromebook Procedures Handbook and follow protocols and procedures listed within
- Monitor your student's responsibility for care of the Chromebook
- Ensure the Chromebook arrives to school daily with a full charge
- And...

Parental / Student Roles

- Your Chromebook will be utilized in many of your classes
- The computer should be held in the same regard as a textbook
- Do NOT intentionally damage it,
- Do NOT add stickers to it,
- Do NOT Disassemble it,
- Use your computer for school appropriate needs, not personal

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Thank you! Have a great school year!