

October 31, 2019

Dear Families:

As the first quarter ends and we transition into the second marking period, we are excited to inform you that we will be implementing our 1:1 Chromebook initiative for the high school beginning Wednesday, November 6, 2019.

We believe that this technology can enhance student learning within the classroom and support our district goals for improved student achievement.

Next week students will receive an individual Chromebook to use as an integral part of their learning. Since technology plays such a major role in the lives of our students, we expect that they will use these as a tool to become responsible digital citizens, collaborate as a community of learners, and individualize their instruction. We recognize that learning continues beyond the school day, so it is our intent that these Chromebooks will travel back and forth between home and school with each student.

Attached to this link you will find the [\[Chromebook Use Pledge Form\]](#), that must be printed, signed by the student and parent, and returned to their first period (Day 2) teacher preferably by Wednesday, November 6, 2019. All Chromebooks can be picked up from the first period (Day 2) class from Wednesday through Friday. Once the form is returned, they will receive the device from the teacher. Any Chromebooks not picked up in first period by Friday, November 8, 2019, will need to be picked up from the High School Library. Additionally, any students who do not have a first period (Day 2) class, will need to submit their forms and pick up their device from the High School Library.

If you have any questions, please review our Website. Click on "For Parents" and you will find a drop down selection for "1:1 Initiative." You will be able to read the [\[Chromebook Handbook\]](#) and find additional information regarding insurance and other policies. [\[Insurance Form\]](#)

Here are some key summaries:

- The Chromebook will come with a charging cable and a protective carrying case.
- Students are responsible for having a charged Chromebook every morning and keeping it locked in their school locker when it is not in their possession.
- Parents are responsible for the repair cost if the Chromebook is maliciously damaged, broken, or lost.
- Insurance is available and checks can be dropped off to the first period teacher (Day 2) or mailed to the high school main office. Insurance can also be purchased online.
- Parents/ Guardians who refuse to have their child take the Chromebook home must do so in writing to the school principal at michaellauria@gicsd.org

We are thrilled to be able to provide this opportunity for our students and look forward to an engaging year ahead.

Sincerely,
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