

# 2025-26 STUDENT TECHNOLOGY INSURANCE PLAN AND RESTITUTION POLICY

## LOST, DAMAGED, AND STOLEN ITEMS

### Technology for All, Responsibility for Each

As part of the district's commitment to providing a future-ready learning environment, students are issued tablets, laptops, and other instructional technology for educational use throughout the school year. These devices are vital tools for learning, and it is the responsibility of each student and their parent or guardian to ensure they are cared for appropriately.

### Restitution Requirement:

If a device is lost, damaged, or stolen, families are responsible for associated repair or replacement of the device unless technology insurance has been purchased.

### Why Device Insurance Should be Purchased:

To help families with unexpected costs, the district offers an optional Technology Insurance Plan for an annual, non-refundable fee of \$30 per student. This insurance covers:

- Accidental damage
- Theft (with a police department or BOE Security Report)
- Loss (one incident per school year)

With insurance, no restitution is owed for the above incidents.

**Without insurance, families are responsible for the repair or replacement cost of the device.**

We strongly encourage all families to take advantage of this insurance option.

### Families Will Be Contacted Regarding Restitution for Lost or Damaged Devices

If a student's device is lost, stolen, or damaged and no insurance was purchased, the parent or guardian is responsible for the full cost of repair or replacement. Families with outstanding balances will receive formal notice from Insurance Management at the end of the school year outlining the amount owed and options for repayment.

To support families, the district offers payment plans and encourages open communication. Notices will include instructions on how to set up a payment schedule if needed. Families are strongly encouraged to respond promptly to avoid escalation of the matter and consequences for non-payment. All balances must be addressed before the start of the 2026-27 school year.

### Restitution Amounts Vary by Device

The cost of restitution depends on the type of device issued to the student. Devices issued to elementary school students carry a lower replacement cost than those for secondary students. If a device is lost, stolen, or damaged beyond repair, the parent or guardian is responsible for the replacement. Restitution amounts are determined based on market pricing, district inventory and availability, and the age and condition of the device first issued to the student.

### Questions?

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