

1 to 1 Chromebook Program - Introduction



What does 1 to 1 mean?

All TMS students will receive an FCPS chromebook, charger, and carrying case to use at school AND at home during the school year.

Every effort will be made to give you the same chromebook each year you are at TMS. So take good care of yours!

You will use your chromebook for school work - there will no longer be a need to have your phone out at school unless your teacher asks you to bring it.

What does 1 to 1 mean?



The chromebook you are assigned still belong to FCPS.

Your @my.fcps.org account also belongs to FCPS.

Everything you do while using your @my.fcps.org account can be monitored by our tech services department.

Remember -

Your FCPS chromebook and account are tools for school not toys for entertainment.



What will this cost?

[Click here for the FCPS Use of Technology Fees and Coverages Document](#)


In order to receive an FCPS chromebook, your family will pay a \$60 fee each year.

This non-refundable fee helps FCPS provide devices and helps cover costs if chromebooks are accidentally damaged - so that you do not have to pay the entire repair or replacement fee.

FCPS has worked out set fees that families will pay in the case of damage, loss, or theft of a chromebook. You can find the “FCPS Use of Technology Fees and Coverages” document by clicking above.

What does the 60.00 cover?


Annual Coverage		
<i>Mechanical Breakdown</i>	<i>Accidental Damage</i>	<i>Lost/Stolen Device</i>
<p>Deductible 1st Incident: Covered 2nd Incident: Covered 3rd Incident: Covered 4th Incident: Covered</p> <p>Includes battery, internal and external components, buttons</p>	<p>Deductible: 1st Incident: Covered 2nd Incident: \$30 3rd Incident: \$60 4th Incident: \$120</p> <p>Full coverage for devices damaged by fire, flood, natural disaster</p>	<p>Lost Device Deductible: 1st Incident: \$30 Further Incidents: Full cost</p> <p>Parent completes Report of Lost Device form as documentation</p> <p>Stolen Chromebooks: full coverage with copy of police report</p>



What if my family can't afford the \$60 fee?

FCPS understands that every family's situation is different. If you cannot afford the fee, contact the school.





What if I don't have wifi at home or it isn't working?



Teachers WILL be assigning work to be completed on your chromebook at home.

IF you can't access the Internet at home - you can still do some work "offline" on your most recently used documents and files. You'll get instructions on how to do this when you get your chromebook.



You can also access free wifi at our 2 public library branches - Thurmont and Emmitsburg. Several local businesses also provide free wifi.

Please let your teachers know if you are unable to access the Internet at home.



What are some of the student's responsibilities?


You need to bring your fully charged chromebook to school everyday.
You are being given a charger - so you should charge as needed at home.

For safety, your chromebook must be kept in its case at all times.

You must report any damage as soon as you notice it.

You must keep your nametag showing in your case at all times.

You must keep your chromebook and case free of all markings, stickers, or other decorations. Remember - it still belongs to FCPS.



What if I forget my chromebook at home or I forget to charge it?

It is your responsibility to bring a charged chromebook to school each day.

There will be desktop computers in each classroom which you can use if you forget to bring yours.

You may ask your teacher if you can charge your device in class, but repeated requests to charge will be viewed as being unprepared for class.



What happens if I don't live up to my responsibilities?



Accidental damage to chromebooks, chargers or cases will be handled by the technology fees policy. See that document for a complete explanation.

Intentional damage to your own or other's chromebooks, chargers, or cases will result in increased costs - usually full restitution. You will also receive behavioral consequences for intentional damage.

Repeated instances of accidental or intentional damage could result in loss of the privilege of having an FCPS chromebook or account.

SO WHEN DO WE GET OUR CHROMEBOOKS?!

You will not be issued your chromebook until you return the FCPS 1:1 Device User Agreement signed by your parents/guardians AND pay your \$60 technology use fee.

Return your form and pay your fee as soon as possible to avoid any delay in getting your chromebook!





Where do I get the forms I need?

Here's what you need to return to get your chromebook:

FCPS 1:1 Device User Agreement

\$60 Technology Use fee -

Cash, check made out to TMS, or use School Cash online

If you've lost your form, you can pick up an extra one from the front office or from Mrs. Shesman or Mrs. Tibbs.



Questions?

Contact TMS

