

CPS Electronic Device Policy

Overview

At the beginning of the school year or at such time as the administration deems appropriate, the district will assign an Electronic Device to each student in grades 7th thru 12th provided that the student and the student's parent/guardian returns a properly executed Electronic Device agreement and pays the required technology fee. This one-to-one instructional initiative will lead the way toward continuous improvement in the following District goals:

- Prepare all learners to be productive and responsible citizens who are equipped to pursue excellence in an ever-changing world
- Utilize research-based, leading edge instruction and learning opportunities in face-to-face, blended, and virtual classroom settings

Toward these goals, all students will have access to instructional technology that will make them successful in the classroom and beyond.

Electronic Device:

The District will purchase and retain full ownership of the Electronic Device and will have in place measures to prevent the inappropriate use of the Electronic Device and/or Internet in keeping with District Technology Policy.

Distribution of the Electronic Device:

Distribution of the Electronic Device will take place at the beginning of the school year or at such other time as the administration deems appropriate. Students will be charged a \$25–technology fee at the beginning of each school year before the Electronic Device is issued. A student will be given a Electronic Device only if a parent or guardian has signed the Student Computer Loan Agreement. Each student will receive the Electronic Device, power cable and case. Earbuds or headphones will not be provided. Students who do not pay the required fee or whose parents object to the Electronic Device being issued will be permitted to use a loaner Electronic Device during the school day.

District Responsibilities for the use of the Electronic Device:

The District will comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) to prevent the inappropriate use of the Electronic Device and/or the Internet whether the Electronic Device is being used at school or at home. Any malfunction of the Electronic Device that is not the result of negligence or inappropriate use will be repaired at the District's expense. The District will have Electronic Devices available that can be checked out to students whose Electronic Devices are being repaired or replaced.

Parent and Student Responsibilities:

As with any District-owned property (for example, textbooks), parents and students will be responsible for caring for their Electronic Device and will be expected to return the Electronic Device at the end of the school year in good working condition. The student and their parent or guardian will be responsible for replacing a lost Electronic Device or paying the district for repairs that were the result of inappropriate use or neglect of the Electronic Device.

Because the Electronic Device is an Internet-based Electronic Device, the student will need Internet access either at home or at public places that offer wi-fi access in order to use the web-based applications. At school or elsewhere, students are expected to observe all CPS technology policies as well as federal,

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state and local laws regarding technology. In addition, students must follow the “Digital Citizenship Tips for Teens” (from commonsensemedia.org).

Digital Citizenship Tips for Teens:

For teens, we offer five simple rules of digital citizenship to help them create a world they can be proud of and inspire others to do the same.

- Think before you post or text -- a bad reputation could be just a click away. Before you press the "send" button, imagine the last person in the world that you'd want seeing what you post.
- What goes around comes around. If you want your privacy respected, respect others' privacy. Posting an embarrassing photo or forwarding a friend's private text without asking can cause unintended harm or damage to others.
- Spread heart, not hurt. If you wouldn't say it in person, don't say it online. Stand up for those who are bullied or harassed, and let them know that you're there for them.
- Give and get credit. We're all proud of what we create. Illegal downloading, digital cheating, and cutting and pasting other people's stuff may be easy, but that doesn't make it right. You have the responsibility to respect other people's creative work -- and the right to have your own work respected.
- Make this a world you want to live in. Spread the good stuff. Create, share, tag, comment, and contribute to the online world in positive ways.

Damaged Electronic Devices:

Accidental Damage:

Students with a damaged or malfunctioning Electronic Device may take it to the Site Technology Representative and borrow a loaner Device while theirs is being repaired or replaced. Each student will be issued a receipt for the loaner that he or she is to keep at all times until the loaner is returned. Lost items such as chargers or cases will be charged the actual replacement cost.

Intentional Damage:

Students/Parents will be held responsible for ALL (full replacement price) intentional damage to Electronic Device including, but not limited to broken screens, cracked plastic pieces, inoperability, etc. Should the cost to repair exceed the cost of purchasing a new Electronic Device, the student will pay for the full replacement value.

Vandalism and Theft:

In cases of theft, vandalism and other criminal acts, a police report MUST be filed by the student or parent. Any Electronic Device not returned will be considered stolen property and law enforcement agencies will be notified.

Students who do not follow the aforementioned guidelines are subject to disciplinary action.