

Freehold Regional High School District 1 to 1 Chromebook FAQ

General Information:

Why is the Freehold Regional High School District providing each student with a Chromebook?

As our students' embark on their educational and post-secondary journeys, technology continues to evolve as a critical and necessary tool for enhancing learning and collaborative opportunities. FRHSD will ensure that every student has access to a Chromebook that will enable them to participate in opportunities, learning experiences, and collaborative processes in and out of school so they are prepared for their post-secondary aspirations.

*Each student will have access to their own personal device for learning in school and at home. Students will be able to access Google Apps for Education where they can participate in course activities in an electronically collaborative environment. Students will be able to take their Chromebook home with them during the school year and over the summer for use for **school-based assignments/projects** when service is not required.*

What device will students use?

*All students will be provided with a 14 inch **Chromebook**.*

Logistical Information:

Does my child need to use a school-issued Chromebook?

Yes, every student will need to use a school-issued Chromebook so they can fully participate in the learning activities and programs in and out of their high school.

Is there a cost for Chromebook maintenance and support?

*Yes, parents/guardians are required to submit a **ONE** time usage **fee of \$50 per student** which provides the student with a Chromebook, support, and coverage for **repairable damage**. Students who submit a Chromebook for repair **more than twice** during the duration of their tenure in school will be charged the cost of the replacement part. Cost of the replacement part will be determined at the time of repair. When a student's Chromebook is being repaired and resources permit, students will receive a loaner that they can use in school and at home for school work. Parents can pay the one time usage fee using [PaySchools Central](#).*

When do students receive their Chromebook?

Each school will send detailed instructions for Chromebook distribution/pickup.

Do students turn in their Chromebook at the end of the school year?

Seniors in the Class of 2023 must return their Chromebook at the end of the school year.

How can my child connect their Chromebook to WiFi at home?

Students can connect their Chromebook to WiFi at home for school use by following these steps: <https://support.google.com/chromebook/answer/1047420?hl=en#zippy=>

***School-issued Chromebooks should only be used for school approved projects, assignments and activities.**

Chromebook Responsibilities:

How should students care for their Chromebook?

Students should never have food or drink near their Chromebook. When not in use, the student should place the Chromebook in a protective case. Students can use a solution of 40 percent rubbing alcohol and 60 percent distilled water to clean their chromebook.

How can parents support their child with caring for the Chromebook?

- Make sure their device is charged before going to school.
- Remind students that school-issued Chromebooks are for school use only.
- Encourage students to place the Chromebook in a secure and protective space when not in use.
- Parents should monitor student internet use when using the Chromebook at home.
- The following resources will assist families in guiding students towards digital citizenship and internet safety:
 - NetSmartz: <http://www.netsmartz.org/Parents>
 - CommonSense Media: <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/blog/teens>
- Ensure that siblings and other family members are not using the device for personal use.

What happens if a student forgets their Chromebook or charger at home?

Students are expected to bring their Chromebook to and from school each day fully charged.

When resources permit, a student will be provided with a loaner Chromebook or charger, however, students who frequently come to school unprepared will be addressed by the school staff.

What happens if the Chromebook is damaged or needs repair?

Parents/guardians are required to submit a **ONE time fee of \$50 per student** which provides the student with a Chromebook, support, and coverage for repairable damage.

Accidental damage that can be repaired will be covered with the exception of a total loss due to damage, lost or stolen devices (see below).

Students who submit a Chromebook, for repair, **more than twice** during the duration of their tenure in school will be charged the cost of the replacement part. Cost of the replacement part will be determined at the time of repair.

If the Chromebook is lost or stolen, the student will immediately notify the school administration. The School shall not be responsible for any damages or losses related to the Chromebook. Any costs associated with instances of loss, theft or damage will be the full responsibility of the student and their parent/guardian.

The replacement cost of the Chromebook is due within two (2) weeks of reporting the unit lost, stolen or damaged beyond repair.

*The parent/legal guardian is responsible for the replacement cost of the Chromebook **(\$300)** or the replacement of the charger **(\$25)** should it get broken beyond repair, stolen or lost.*

What happens if the Chromebook is lost or stolen?

*Lost or stolen devices should be reported to the school administration within 24 hours. If the device was lost or stolen at home, the parent must file a police report within 48 hours of the incident. If the device is not recovered, the parent will be responsible for paying for the cost of a new unit **(\$300)**.*

All devices have technology designed to assist in recovery. Any person found in possession of a stolen device may be charged in accordance with law enforcement.