

CHROMEBOOK 1:1 LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Grades 9-12



LEVERAGING DIGITAL

INTRODUCTION

The goal of Hanover School Division is to achieve Deeper Learning through engaging learning environments, collaborative learning partnerships, high yield pedagogical practices, and the leveraging of digital technology. By embedding digital technologies into classroom practice, we accelerate, amplify, and add value to learning. Chromebook 1:1 will enhance learning by creating a personalized student-centred learning environment. The use of Chromebooks support collaborative inquiry and expand learning beyond the classroom. All students entering Grade 9 will receive a new Chromebook (rugged educational version). Students will have access to their assigned Chromebook through till graduation.

WHY A CHROMEBOOK?

A Chromebook is a laptop, running Chrome OS as its operating system. It is an excellent device for accessing the Internet, typing notes, doing research, and a host of other tasks using a variety of web-based applications. Chromebooks have a fast startup, are known to be reliable, require low maintenance, and are not susceptible to software viruses.

Chromebooks integrate seamlessly with Google's G Suite for Education (an extension of the HSD technology network). G Suite is a free web-based program for word processing, storage of files, spreadsheets, calendars, and presentations.



Will students be required to purchase or pay for the use of a Chromebook?

No. The Chromebook is an educational resource provided by the Hanover School Division. Similar to textbooks and other instructional materials, HSD will supply Chromebooks to students at no cost.

Who owns the Chromebook?

HSD owns the Chromebook at all times. The device and AC charger are loaned to the student for educational use and must be returned at the end of the school year.

Does the Chromebook User Agreement require parent/guardian consent?

Yes. Any student under the age of 18 will require parent/guardian consent in the form of a signed Chromebook 1:1 User Agreement. This agreement indicates responsibilities, limitations, and liabilities for device usage.

Can a parent/guardian opt-out their child from receiving a Chromebook?

Yes. Although we highly recommend that all parents/guardians agree to their child's participation in Chromebook 1:1. Without a Chromebook, the student may not have after-school access to classwork or collaboration opportunities in the same way other students do. Each school will have a limited amount of Chromebooks available for use (sign-out) during school hours. If an opt-out is preferred, please contact the school principal to discuss further.

Will any sensitive or personal information be stored on the Chromebook?

No. Data is not stored locally on a Chromebook. If the device is lost, there is no concern regarding personal data.

Will Chromebooks be used in class?

Chromebooks will be used in class at the discretion of each teacher to help meet the educational needs of their students. By providing a mobile device