
Ballard County Schools
ChromeConnect Agreement

Ballard County Schools are implementing a 1:1 Chromebook initiative called ChromeConnect for Ballard County School students grade K-12 in an effort to better engage students in 21st Century Learning and increase student ownership of their learning and the learning process. Students will be using Chromebooks in the classroom as a part of routine instruction. **A \$20 non-refundable technology fee is required for all students.** Students who have signed this agreement along with their parents and have paid their \$20 technology fee will be allowed to take their designated Chromebook home to continue school work.

Chromebooks are the property of Ballard County Schools and are being loaned to the student during the academic school year. **Once assigned a Chromebook, students will keep the same device for the remainder of their school career, so it is in the best interest of the students to take care of their assigned device.** Students may not deface or destroy this property in any way. This includes both the Chromebook and the charger assigned to the student.

As the Chromebook is district property, the contents of a student's Chromebook may be viewed at any time by school administration. Teachers reserve the right to limit Chromebook usage during class. Student use of a Chromebook off school grounds is a privilege and may be revoked at any time by administration. If the privilege is revoked, no refunds will be given.

It is the student's responsibility to care for his/her assigned Chromebook and ensure that it remains in a safe environment. If there is a claim for damage or loss, there is a deductible to be paid by the student/parent per occurrence. If the technology fee has been paid, the deductible will be 50% of the cost to make the repair. If a student/parent has not paid the technology fee, he/she will be responsible for 100% of the repair. Chargers are considered consumables, and any damage or loss will be the sole responsibility of the student/parent. Replacement chargers must be purchased through the school. The technology fee will cover the academic year and will be due at the beginning of the school year before the Chromebook can leave campus. Any balance due from the previous year must be paid prior to this year's membership. Any student with an outstanding balance will become a Day User until the balance is paid.

The Chromebook must be used in accordance with the district's technology policies and the Acceptable User Policy (AUP). The student understands the use of the Chromebook is a privilege and acknowledges responsibility to protect and safeguard the Chromebook. Furthermore, the student shall return the Chromebook in good condition at the end of the academic year. The device will be checked over the summer, and students/parents will be responsible for any damages identified.

If a Chromebook is damaged or lost, the incident must be reported to school administration as soon as possible. Users should develop a complete timeframe with all details of the incident. If theft is suspected, a police report must be filed immediately. If an incident happens in the evening, please inform school administration by 8:00 AM the following school day. A student whose Chromebook is being repaired will be given a loaner to use until the repair is complete and the deductible is paid, pending availability. Loaned devices may not be taken off campus.

