

Chromebook Policies

Effective 2023-2024 school year

We have incorporated Chromebooks into our daily school classrooms for a few years now. We have been able to get chromebooks in every classroom from Kindergarten through 8th grade. With this, we have also realized the issues involved with familiarity for students handling the Chromebooks. Even though Chromebooks are being made more rugged than ever, we are having more damages than needed. Therefore we feel it is time to incorporate a few policy changes to try to reduce the expense of damaged Chromebooks and to hold the students and families more accountable. Similar to the Manteno School District, we want to emphasize that “Chromebooks are commodities.” They will be treated as school property rather than a device the students can own.

Old Policy	New Policy
Chromebooks were purchased on a 4-year rotation.	Chromebooks will be purchased on a 5-year rotation, so each grade level (and staff) will keep their chromebooks for 5 years. New Purchasing Rotation
Chromebooks will be handed out new every year to 5th graders who will continue to use that same device through the 8th grade year.	Chromebooks will be kept as grade level devices. Every year a student will receive a different device for use during that school year.
Chromebooks will be offered for purchase as the end of the 8th grade year	Chromebooks will be kept for continued use at the school district after the 8th grade year.
Students are charged \$25 up to a maximum of \$100 for any damage occurring to Chromebooks other than system malfunctions.	Students will be charged \$25 for the first 3 repairs, then \$50 for each additional repair with no maximum for damage occurring while the Chromebook is in their “ownership” for that school year.
Power adapters are assessed a \$20 cost for replacement	Power adapters are assessed a \$25 cost for replacement
Bags will be given as replacements if warranted, sometimes charged \$20 for replacement if deliberate misuse	Any damaged bag/case will be charged a \$25 replacement cost
Basic bags were provided for all 6th-8th grade students to carry their Chromebooks.	7th-8th grade Chromebooks will be provided with a Chromebook case that will allow the Chromebook to be charged/closed/and used while still in the case. Therefore all Chromebooks will be expected to stay in the case at all times.
Screen damage is considered a basic repair cost	If screen is a touchscreen Chromebook, the replacement cost of damage other than a malfunction will be \$100. On the first occurrence, BESD#53 will split the cost \$50/\$50 with the student. All further touchscreen damage will be the full responsibility of the student (\$100). Probable denial of touchscreen chromebook for rest of school year in grade 7 and 8.

Below are the proposed charges that will be applied for Chromebook issues.

Chromebook repair incident	1st time - \$25	2nd time - \$25 <i>Possible denial of home privileges for one week</i>	3rd time - \$25 <i>Possible denial of home privileges for two weeks</i>	Each additional occurrence - \$50 <i>Possible denial of home privileges</i>
Chromebook Charger	Each occurrence - \$25			
Chromebook bag/case	Each occurrence - \$25			
Touchscreen repair/replacement	\$50 first occurrence, \$100 all subsequent occurrences			
Chromebook Replacement	\$200	Deliberate damage is always assessed at the replacement cost of the Chromebook.		

Loaner chromebooks that are issued to students are under the same obligations while in the student's possession.

[Updated Agreement for Out-of-School Use](#) - will display during registration

[Updated Student/Parent Agreement and Permission for Use of Chromebook](#) - will display during registration