

LOSTANT SCHOOL CHROMEBOOKS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Students in grades 3rd through 8th will receive a chromebook this week. Teachers will begin teaching using Google Classroom. Assignments, classroom videos, learning and activity links, and much more will be available in Google Classroom. Chromebooks will remain at school until October 13th. Students will begin bringing their chromebooks home on October 13th and must bring their chromebook back to school every day. Below is important information you must know.

- ✓ Federal CARES Act funding was used to purchase all chromebooks, covers, bags, tags, licensing for one year, and a warranty for one year. There is no cost to parents during the 2020-2021 school year.
- ✓ Students in 7th and 8th grade will return their chromebook to Lostant School on the last day of school, prior to their graduation year. Students in 3rd through 6th grade may keep their chromebook after their 8th grade graduation. Chromebooks become the property of the student once they graduate. Therefore, proper care and usage is highly recommended and very important.
- ✓ **At registration every year parents will have the opportunity to pay \$25 toward an extended warranty on their child's chromebook. If you do not take advantage of the warranty option, you are responsible for replacing the chromebook should your child lose or damage the chromebook.**
- ✓ In the event we must participate in Remote Learning Days, your child will interact with his or her teacher and classmates using Google Classroom and Google Meets. All assignments will be posted in Google Classroom. You will receive information and expectations regarding digital assignments and Remote Learning Days in a few weeks.
- ✓ Students will practice using Google Classroom and Google Meets at school every day before being required to complete assignments digitally.
- ✓ Chromebooks are to be used for school work only. Parents and other family members may not use the Lostant School chromebook for personal use. All chromebooks have been assigned to a specific student. There is a web filtering program that monitors activity on the chromebook **at school and at home**. In addition, students will only be able to receive e-mail from other Lostant School domain e-mail accounts. School administrators will receive a daily report if a student attempts to access unauthorized or improper web sites. Misuse of the chromebook and technology will result in loss of technology privileges. Students will then be required to complete all assignments by paper and pencil.
- ✓ Your child has a Lostant e-mail account and must use the account when signing into his or her chromebook. Usernames and passwords for all programs are located under the top lid of the chromebook.
- ✓ **Students must charge their chromebook at home every evening and bring the chrome book to school every morning.**

Please contact Mrs. Goddard or Dr. Malahy if you have questions or concerns regarding your child's chromebook.

Additional Information on Back





Your child's chromebook has a hard plastic cover to help protect the screen from accidental and minor drops. These covers snap on and should not be removed. The bottom cover has air vents and feet to assist with air flow when in use. Books, charge cords, or heavy objects should never be placed on top of the chromebook. Doing so will result in a cracked or damaged screen.



Your child's chromebook should always be kept in the blue bag when not in use. The bag comes with handles and a shoulder strap. The only items allowed in the bag are the chromebook and charge cord.



Your child's chromebook bag has a tag attached to the handle. Your child's name and the school name are located under the tag flap. The tag should remain on the bag at all times.

We understand that accidents occasionally occur – that is why we purchased the warranty on the chromebooks. There are a few extra chromebooks at school in the event a student's chromebook must be repaired. A replacement chromebook will be given to your child during the repair period so that learning is not interrupted.

The Lostant School Board of Education, administrators, and teachers believe that the best learning takes place when a child is in the classroom with his or her teachers and classmates. However, with a worldwide pandemic and a technology driven world, we know that children must be prepared for digital learning. If you have suggestions for improvement, please do not hesitate to share your thoughts with us. We are all moving in a new direction and it will take parents communicating with school personnel to provide a smooth technology transition.