

Chromebook Agreement Grades 6 - 12

The Board of Education and the administration believe in the educational value of Chromebooks and recognize their potential to support our curriculum by expanding resources for student use in school and at home. At the beginning of the 2016-17 school year, all 6-12 students received a Chromebook. This document provides students and their parents/guardians with information about the responsibilities of care and use of a Chromebook.

As the property of the district, these computer systems must be carefully handled and their integrity preserved for the benefit of all. Therefore, access to the computer systems is a privilege, and not a right. Students will be required to adhere to a set of policies and procedures as set forth in the Berlin Board of Education policies (BPS Policy 5131.83-R). Violations may lead to withdrawal of the access privilege and/or disciplinary measures in accordance with the Board's student discipline policy.

Ownership of the Chromebook:

Berlin Public Schools retains sole right of possession of the Chromebook. Students are permitted to use the district's loaned Chromebook for legitimate educational purposes. Personal use of Chromebooks is expressly prohibited. Therefore, all users must be aware that they should not have any expectation of personal privacy in the use of these Chromebooks.

I understand that under Connecticut General Statute 10-221(c) Boards of Education are authorized to assess charges against students who lose or damage educational materials and they may withhold grades, transcripts, or report cards until such payments are made. The replacement of a lost, stolen, or damaged school-issued Chromebook is the responsibility of the student/parent. For 2017-18 the cost of a replacement Chromebook will be \$285, the case is \$20, and charger is \$30. Information on the Chromebook insurance program is attached.

This Chromebook Agreement is valid for the entire time a student is in possession of a school issued Chromebook. It is expected that all students will comply with Berlin Public Schools standards and will act in a responsible and legal manner, at all times in accordance with Berlin Public Schools policies and regulations, as well as with state and federal laws. Any misuse of the Chromebook may result in loss of access to a Chromebook as well as other disciplinary action. By signing below, the student agrees to follow and accept the above Chromebook guidelines. As a parent/guardian, I have read and discussed the agreement with him/her and he/she understands the responsibility he/she has in the use of their Chromebook.

 Yes, I would like to participate in the Chromebook insurance program. (Please include a check for \$30 made payable to Berlin Board of Education.) 				
$\hfill\Box$ No, I decline participation in the Chromebook insurance program.				
Print Student Name	Grade			
Student Signature	Date			
Print Parent/Guardian Name				
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date			



2017-18 School Year Chromebook Insurance

Open Enrollment August 24 – October 13, 2017

Like textbooks, team uniforms and other school property issued to your child, there is a responsibility to take appropriate care of these valuable resources. The Chromebook is no different but it does represent a cost to the district and consequent liability to students and parents. We have a warranty in place to cover the Chromebooks covered for manufacturing defects, but we know loss and accidents may also happen, even when students take good care of the device. In these instances, district policies, state regulations and practices require a fine be levied to cover the repair or replacement cost of district property. With Chromebooks, the cost of loss or damage is lower than many other technology tools, but it can still be significant.

In response, the district has developed a **voluntary** insurance program for Chromebooks.

One year Chromebook insurance cost (school year 2017-18): \$30.00

INSURANCE COVERAGES

- What's Covered 2 claims per year
 - Accidental damage including but not limited to broken screen, liquid spillage, dropped
 - Unavoidable Theft police report must be submitted within 72 hours of theft
- What's Not Covered
 - Lost Chromebooks are not covered by this policy. A full replacement cost not to exceed \$285.
 - Excessive scratches/wear to Chromebooks exterior caused by failure to use the protective case provided by the
 - Intentional marking, defacing, removing name label or BPS ID sticker and/or abusing the Chromebook.
 - Damage caused by tampering with hardware components or operating system (i.e. jailbreaking) to alter district configurations.

POLICY VOID

- The policy will become void for the term if:
 - More than two (2) claims are made during the policy term.
 - Chromebook is/was not protected by the protective cases that were issued during the distribution process.
 - If the school makes a determination that the damage to the Chromebook was intentional or caused by abuse.

EXAMPLES OF COSTS (If insurance is not purchased)

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Full Chromebook Replacement	\$285	Top Case	\$60
Screen Replacement	\$75	Bottom Case	\$20
Charger Replacement	\$30	Top Shell	\$20
Carrying Case Replacement	\$20	Keyboard Replacement (if broken keys cannot be repaired)	\$60