

Dear Parents of 6th-8th Grade students,



Ring Lardner Middle School offers a 1-to-1 computer environment. Each 6th-8th Grade student will be provided with a Chromebook, which will remain in the school building unless instructed otherwise. Much of the work and learning done in middle school will take place on this tool.

A signed *Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety* [NCS Board Administrative Guideline ag7540.03] document (see handbook) must first be on record before students can be assigned a device.

Possessing a board-owned, school-issued Chromebook presents both risks and responsibility. Because of this risk, all families are encouraged to purchase a type of insurance (district or private) for the Chromebook before it is assigned to the student.

The district is offering an optional protection plan priced at \$10 per year with no deductible, assuming damage is accidental (determination to be made by principal and technology director). As long as the incident is NEITHER negligent, nor intentional, the plan will cover one occurrence each of damage to: keyboard, touchpad, battery, hard disk, and screen. Additional, negligent or intentional damage will be billed to the student’s family accordingly (see rate schedule on the reverse of this page). If you elect to waive the district protection plan, the student’s family assumes full responsibility/liability for the device [NCS Board Policy po7530].

If the Chromebook is ever damaged or broken, your student should bring it to the office. We’ll then issue a temporary device and have the original repaired or replaced as soon as possible. The only exception is the charging adapter, as these can not be replaced or repaired as part of our coverage.

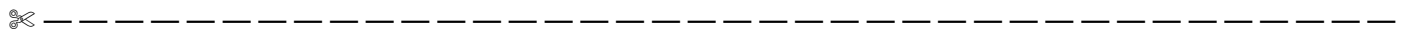
Also, we will be talking with the students about the appropriate use of the Chromebooks. They are incredible tools but can also present a large distraction in our environment. We will encourage students to use the Chromebooks to research, collaborate, word process, and create. Conversely, watching movies, listening to music, chatting, and playing games are activities they need to avoid on this device. Please help us by reinforcing this expectation.

Sincerely,

Mr. Chris Porter
Principal, RLMS

Ms.Dustin Slivensky
Assistant Principal, RLMS

Mr. Ron Hein
Technology Director / CTO



Please return this completed form to the school office along with payment.

Chromebook Insurance Form

- I want to purchase the district protection plan (\$10).
- I waive the district protection plan and accept full liability.

[Coverage begins the day we receive this form and terminates on the last day of school or at separation.]

Student Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Parent Name: _____ Signature: _____

Parent Email: _____

Cash Amount: _____ OR Check # & Amount: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY
\$10
Please make checks payable to **Niles Community Schools**

Rate Schedule for Device Repair



We attempt to source our replacement parts at the lowest price from reputable resellers, not always from Amazon or E-Bay. The following are projected repair rates for damage based on current market repair costs. These rates have been established for the 2022-2023 school year, however due to continuing limited global availability of product, prices may be subject to change. If we are able to procure parts at a price lower than published, we will pass that savings on to you.

<i>NOTE: All pricing is subject to change, however, Niles Community Schools will annually post the amount we will charge during any given year AND honor any lower cost we are able to source.</i>	
Chromebook Component	Charge
AC Adapter (USB-C)	\$38.00
AC Adapter (7.4mm Barrel)	\$20.00
Battery	\$50.00
Screen	\$30.00
Keyboard (only)	\$20.00
Touchpad (only)	\$25.00
Palmrest w/ Touchpad	\$38.00
Palmrest w/ Keyboard	\$47.00
Palmrest w/ Touchpad & Keyboard	\$65.00
Bezel	\$27.00
Camera	\$14.00
Speakers	\$6.00
USB Board	\$35.00
Hinge Set	\$35.00
Motherboard	\$190.00
Full Replacement	\$209.00