



Dear Arvada K-8 Families,

We are excited to announce that Jefferson County schools is supplying all 5th and 9th grade students with a district chromebook starting in the 2019-2020 school year. We are fortunate at Arvada K-8 to be in phase 1 of the device rollout, which means our 5th grade students will receive their chromebook at the beginning of the school year. The district initiative is for the assigned device to follow the student through 8th grade.

We also plan for our 6th, 7th, and 8th graders to be assigned a school owned chromebook. The intent is for our 5th-8th graders to take the devices home and return them to school each day. This will give students an opportunity to have a 24/7 educational experience and learning activities rich with technology integration.

INSTRUCTIONAL BENEFITS

- Prepares students for success in an increasingly digital world
- Develops responsible creators and users of technology
- Facilitates technology-enriched instruction that can be customized and student directed
- Provides opportunities to meet the diverse needs of all learners at various stages of learning
- Enables teachers to more efficiently understand students' learning and adjust instruction accordingly
- Encourages opportunities for students to collaborate and connect with broader audiences
- Allows students to demonstrate their learning in a variety of ways

The district will be covering annual technology fees for students who are on free and reduced lunch. Fifth graders will have an annual \$50 technology fee. Sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students will have an annual \$25 technology fee.

We will have informational sessions and forms for students and families during our Meet and Greet event on August 13th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Chromebook informational sessions will be held in the school auditorium during this event at 4:15, 4:50, and 5:20. Please plan to attend one of the sessions as we will cover many topics to include student responsibilities and expectations, warranty information, device fees, and affordable home internet options. Fifth grade students will meet in the school library after the presentation to receive their device. 6th-8th grade students will receive their devices within the first few weeks of school.

Sincerely,

Arvada K-8