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New Insurance Pricing Structure for 2018-2019 Chromebooks

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

This a follow-up letter to a previous communication sent to all secondary students and parents regarding the 2018-2019 Secondary 1:1 Chromebook Initiative. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Hempfield Area School District has recently **reduced the cost of the Chromebook insurance coverage for the 2018-2019 school year**. If payment for this insurance has already been submitted to the district for 2018-2019, based upon the former pricing structure, please contact the Business Office in order to receive a refund.

The Chromebook that your child will be issued is valued at approximately \$200 and the district's operating budget fully funds this initiative. Parents and guardians are asked to cover the annual insurance policy for this device, which is \$25.00. This will fully cover unintentional and non-negligent damage that may occur. **Parents must pre-pay the \$25 insurance policy in order for their child to be issued a Chromebook.**

Since all devices are owned by the district, the district has determined that district self-insurance will be available for parents to provide support in the event that a machine becomes broken. Each student assigned a Chromebook will become responsible for the device; however, the district will offer the following insurance policy to students and parents as part of the 1:1 Chromebook Initiative. Parents pay a non-refundable yearly fee to the district to replace devices damaged or stolen. Please be advised that all secondary students will be issued a personal Chromebook. Failure to obtain the necessary insurance will result in a financial liability for the family up to and including the full replacement cost of the device.

- In the event that a new device is needed, the device must be purchased through the school district.
- For security and monitoring reasons, non-district purchased devices will not be accepted for student use.
- "Lost" items are not covered under this policy.
- "Stolen" items will only be replaced when the district has been provided with a written police report that substantiates the device has been formally reported as "stolen".

As always, we thank you in advance for your understanding and support of this initiative as we strive to positively transform the learning environment for all of our students in the secondary schools. If you have questions regarding this initiative, please contact your child's principal.

Sincerely,

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**HEMPFIELD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
2018-2019 Chromebook Initiative Liability Form**

Distribution of student Chromebooks for the 2018-2019 school year will be held from **9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** on the following dates for students registered in grades sixth through ninth. Please note that if you have students in multiple buildings, Chromebooks must be picked-up at the building location in which each individual child attends.

- Wendover Middle School: Monday, August 20, 2018
- Harrold Middle School: Tuesday, August 21, 2018
- West Hempfield Middle School: Wednesday, August 22, 2018
- High School: Friday, August 24, 2018

Please check below to indicate the number of children of grades six through twelve receiving a Chromebook within your household during the 2018-2019 school year:

- _____ \$25/yearly (Non-Refundable) Insurance Policy (1 student)
- _____ \$40/yearly (Non-Refundable) Insurance Policy (2 students)
- _____ \$60/yearly (Non-Refundable) Insurance Policy (3 or more students)

_____ We decline insurance and understand that we are liable for all repairs and damages up to and including the replacement cost of the device.

Student 1 Name: _____ Grade: _____ School _____

Student 2 Name: _____ Grade: _____ School _____

Student 3 Name: _____ Grade: _____ School _____

This form and payment(s) will be collected on the distribution dates above or may be mailed to the District Office in advance. Please make **CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: Hempfield Area School District**. Mail advance payments to **Hempfield Area School District, Attention: Chromebook Insurance 4347 Route 136 Greensburg 15601**. Credit card payments will be accepted on the dates of distribution.

(This form must be signed and returned with payment, prior to the issuance of the district-owned Chromebook)

(By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read the necessary provisions relative to the Chromebook Liability Insurance Coverage which is detailed on the following page)

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

*Families experiencing economic hardship should contact their grade-level principal or district administration to discuss coverage options prior to receiving a device.