Middle School Chromebooks

A Virtuous Pilot

Why Chromebooks?

How Will the Pilot Work?

- 42 Total Chromebooks Divided Between Two Classrooms: History & Religion.

- Chromebook Carts Provide Storage and Charging Stations.

- Other Content-area Teachers and Students Will Have Access to Chromebooks

- Ongoing Google Apps Student and Teacher Training Through Pilot Phase.

- Performance Series Testing in Grades 5-8 Will Utilize Chromebooks to Speed Testing Cycle.

- Teacher, Student and Parent Surveys After the Pilot Phase will Provide Instructional Input for full 1-1 Roll-out in 2015.

Student Contract

"The use of school-supplied Chromebooks at St Croix Catholic Middle School is a privilege that comes with responsibility. The device is at all times property of St Croix Catholic School and not a student's personal device."

Student Contract

- ❖ If students notice that something is wrong with the device, they are expected to report to a teacher immediately. Failure to abide by the following guidelines may result in revoking the privilege, or further consequences.
- ❖ Students will not take photos or record video of any persons unless they have the specific consent of a teacher and all persons in the photo or video.
- ❖ Families will be financially responsible for the repair or replacement of stolen or abused hardware or materials. In addition, students will be expected to perform 20 hours of community service.
- ❖ Students must keep their device clean and must not touch the screen with anything (e.g., finger, pen, pencil, etc.) other than approved computer screen cleaners.   No food or drinks allowed around the devices.
- ❖ Do not place books or other items on top of the device. Make sure nothing is between the screen and keyboard when the Chromebook is shut closed.
- ❖ Only use the device for school work. You must sign into your school issued Google education account. No other accounts (Google or otherwise) may be accessed on the school-issued Chromebooks at any time.
- ❖ Students should never share their account passwords with others, unless requested by an administrator.
- ❖ Student email is provided by the school and St Croix Catholic reserves the right to archive, monitor, and/or review all use of its email system, and users should not have any expectation of privacy in any electronic message created, sent, or received on the "stccschool.com" email system.

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- ❖ At school, students are to use the school-safe e-mail accounts provided. All communication using email and/or comments on another's work is expected to be business professional. Students should maintain high integrity with regard to e-mail content such as using appropriate language that is not abusive, offensive, or profane. Do not send mass e-mails, chain letters, or spam.
- ❖ Students should copy content-area teachers on all emails sent to a peer regarding assignments.
- ❖ Students should not delete history of sites visited on their Chromebooks. St Croix Catholic reserves the right to do periodic checks and/or review of Internet site visits.
- ❖ Students are not be permitted to remove the Chromebook device from the stccschool.com domain.
- ❖ Teachers are solely responsible for any apps or extensions on the Chromebooks that are not installed by an administrative member of the school staff.
- ❖ Technology, including but not limited to the Chromebook itself and any ancillary tools such as earbuds, are not to be shared among students.
- ❖ Students should not personalize their devices in any way. This includes backgrounds, name icons, decals, screen savers, and downloading any software, application or short cuts that have not been explicitly allowed by the teacher.
- ❖ Students are NOT to update Chrome OS without permission.
- ❖ Access to the Chrome Web Store is prohibited. Apps, therefore, cannot be added without permission.
- ❖ Students are required to follow all copyright laws around all media including text, images, programs, music, and video. Downloading, sharing, and posting online illegally obtained media is against the St Croix Catholic School's Use of Technology policy.
- ❖ The use of the Chromebook device will not breach the Technology and Acceptable Use Policy found in the St Croix Catholic Parent-Student Handbook.

Teacher Expectations

a. All 7th and 8th graders do check-ins with students during white period

a. All teachers that use Chromebooks do periodic random "notebook" and history checks

a. All teachers use the seven keys vocabulary integrated with their own use of media

a. All teachers expect same level of professionalism with emails

Walled Garden

EMail:

- ❖ Each Student will have their own stccschool.com gmail account to be used for inter-domain school work communication between teachers and students only.

- ❖ Personal GMail accounts are blocked from student use

- ❖ EMail filters and quarantines

- ❖ Student Council recommendations: EMail, History Checks
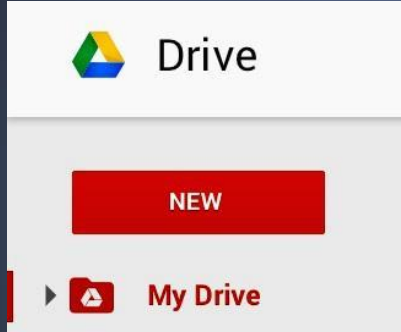
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Use of the Internet:

❖ Google Safe Search filters out explicit content
❖ Chrome AdBlock blocks annoying ads
❖ Teachers sharing YouTube videos will use SafeShare.TV
❖ Teachers will have visibility to each Chromebook being used within a classroom

Chromebook Apps:

❖ Chrome Web Store closed
❖ Teachers choose apps students may use
❖ Google Hangout, an instant messaging and video chat platform is currently closed to students but open to teachers.

The Big Picture

Drive

NEW

My Drive

START HERE →

Google Docs → Think Word: Create a document and share

Google Sheets → Think Excel: Create a spreadsheet

Google Slides → Think PowerPoint: Create and collaborate on a presentation

Google Draw → Create diagrams

Google Forms → Design a survey or quiz

First Steps

- From cart, pick Chromebook corresponding to your alphabetical order in that classroom.
- Turn On the Power
- Choose English Language on the Connect Screen
- Sign in with your school Google account:
  - Username: <firstinitial><last name><two digit year of graduation>
  - Temporary Password: Fr0sting!
  - Change Your Password. Add to Mrs Olsen's Log
- Sign out at the end of each class so the next student can log in as themselves.

Questions?