



École HJ Cody School

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Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Fact Sheet for Parents and Students

We strongly recommend every student in grades 9-12 to bring a chromebook to school each day. This is an important step we are taking in our continued efforts to prepare your child for the post-secondary and the workforce. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please contact Mr. Garrow, Mrs. Lambert or Mr. Marshall.

- **BYOD** - Allowing personal devices into our classrooms personalizes and enhances learning for students. Furthermore, it supports the teaching of digital citizenship and equips students with a device that will be needed at the post-secondary level.
- **Google for Education** - is already our common platform for our students and staff. It is user friendly, cost effective, and accessible from anywhere. Here are 3 things we would like all students, parents, and staff to know about Google for Education:
 - Google for Education is an internet based application that provides safe and secure access to applications such as word processing, document sharing and storage, video, audio, presentations, spreadsheets, and email.
 - Chinook's Edge School Division has been using Google for Education for the past 10 years. Like most school divisions in Alberta, we have a legally binding contract with Google to ensure that student and staff information remains safe and secure according to our [Information Security Procedures](#).
 - Student's last names are not used or displayed. For example, Jane Ethel Doe's username will be jed4321@cesd73.ca and her profile will list her as Jane Unknown.
- **Chromebooks** - are the devices that École H.J. Cody High School is recommending for our BYOD classrooms. Here are 5 things we'd like all students, parents, and staff to know about Chromebooks:
 - Chinook's Edge School Division has secured a discounted price for three different options of Chromebooks at both Red Deer Staples stores. Payment plans are available with Staples.
 - Chromebooks are, on average, approximately one-third of the cost of traditional laptops. They serve as a simple and affordable option for students. Chromebooks operate on the Chrome operating system and are designed to be used while connected wirelessly to the Internet.
 - Chromebooks support the majority of web-based applications, and allow students access to thousands of free apps through Google Chrome. Students safely store their data remotely using Google Drive. Students can print at school through Google Print.
 - Security, Maintenance, and Charging - of personal devices is the student's responsibility.
- **Responsible Use of Technology** - remains a focus in our schools. As such all students and staff are expected to follow the expectations outlined in our [CESD Technology Responsible Use](#) document.

If you are unable to purchase a Chromebook by the start of the school year then please let us know and we will work together to find a solution. Thank you for all that you do to support École HJ Cody High School, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

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