Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am pleased to share the following information regarding the T/E School District’s 1:1 Technology Initiative, which will provide all students the opportunity to use a District device during the 2023-2024 school year.

Using a District Device

Expectations and rules pertaining to the use of a District-provided device are outlined in the following documents:

- Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5414 – *Electronic Communication Devices: Use by Students*
- Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 8080 – *Acceptable Use of Technology*

By picking up a District-provided device, you are acknowledging the terms outlined in the above Board Policies and Administrative Regulations.

Family Cost-Sharing Fee

Families of students in grades K-4 are asked to pay an annual cost-sharing fee of $15 per student, and families of students in grades 5-12 are asked to pay an annual cost-sharing fee of $50 per student. This fee covers Accidental Damage Protection for the device, as well as a case and set-up/maintenance of the device. There is a maximum annual family fee of $100. The fee can be paid online in advance via PowerSchool (log in to powerschool.tesd.net, click “Payments” on left side of page) or by check (made out to TESD) when the device is distributed. If paying by check, please include your child’s Student ID on the memo line of the check. Please contact your child’s counselor or administrator prior to your child picking up their device if the cost-sharing fee poses a financial hardship for your family.
Grade-Specific Information

Grades K-4: Students will receive an iPad and case. All iPads will be distributed to students during the school day in the opening days of the school year.

Grades 5-8: Students will receive a Dell laptop. District laptop pick-up times are available prior to the start of school for fifth graders and any students new to the middle school:

- August 17, 18, 21: 10AM-2PM, TEM Library/VFM Library

Conestoga High School

High school students have the option of using their own device or using a District-provided laptop. District laptop pick-up times are available prior to the start of school for ninth graders and any students new to CHS:

- Wednesday August 16: 9AM-11AM and 1PM-3PM, CHS Library
- Thursday August 17: 3PM-6PM

Any Middle/High School students who are unable to pick up their laptop prior to the start of school will have the opportunity to pick up their laptop in the library during the opening days of school.

Please feel free to contact FamilyHelpDesk@tesd.net with any questions regarding the 1:1 Technology Initiative. We are excited to offer this opportunity to our students as part of our continuing efforts to support innovative teaching and learning in the T/E School District.

Sincerely,

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