

## **FAQ's**

### **Frequently Asked Questions about the 1 to 1 Laptop Learning Initiative**

#### **Is participation mandatory? Does my student have to have a computer?**

- 🍏 Participation is not mandatory. We highly encourage you to take one because the laptop initiative will allow your student's learning to be seamless and continuous. The 1 to 1 Laptop program brings individual learning to your student and provides your student the ability to "connect" with his peers, his teachers and the world!

#### **If my student does not accept a laptop, will he be able to complete classroom assignments?**

- 🍏 There are computers available to students during the school day and for a period of time before and after school.

#### **If I already have an Internet provider at home, will my student be able to use our service with the school's laptop?**

- 🍏 Yes. We will assist your student in setting up their computer to switch from the school's Internet access to your Internet provider.

#### **Do we have to have Internet access at home?**

- 🍏 No. Students will be able complete homework assignments at home and turn in their work when they return to school the next day. The district is working to provide Internet access points at community locations such as the YMCA and Bradford Memorial Library.

#### **What if we can't afford the \$70 insurance fee?**

- 🍏 Contact EHS Principal Kevin House.

#### **Can my student arrive early or stay late at school to do research, etc.?**

- 🍏 The high school building is open from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each school day.

#### **If my student can't keep the computer in his locker, where can he store it safely while he is on a field trip or at an extracurricular event?**

- 🍏 If your student does not need the computer overnight, he can leave it with EHS Technology Coordinator Linda Evenson who will lock it in a secure location and return it to your student the next morning. If your student wants to take the computer home after a trip, the coach will lock the laptop in a secure location and return it to your student after the trip.

#### **If my student breaks his laptop, who will determine if the problem is a manufacturing defect or if it is negligence on the part of my student?**

- 🍏 The insurance company will determine if it is a covered loss. Each incident will be dealt with on an individual basis.

**What is the full replacement value of the MacBook?**

- 🍏 At this time, the cost of a new MacBook is \$1200.

**Can my student bring his own computer to school?**

- 🍏 No, because we must safeguard our school network from viruses and other network issues.

**My student is a senior. Can he purchase the laptop at the end of the year?**

- 🍏 No. The computers are leased and will not belong to us for four years.

**May I use my student's computer?**

- 🍏 Your student's need for the computer is first priority, however, it can also provide an extended learning opportunity to you as well.

**Who will monitor my student's Internet access at home?**

- 🍏 Parents will be involved and should monitor their student's use of the Internet at home.

**Will my student use traditional textbooks?**

- 🍏 Many classes will still use traditional textbooks. The laptop computer is an instructional tool, a vehicle for the student to have greater access to learning resources. A few classes at EHS currently use an online textbook.

**Will my student have a personal e-mail account?**

- 🍏 Yes. Your student will have an e-mail account through the school.