

## **Technology Opt-Out**

Dear CRPUSD Parent/Guardian,

The Cotati-Rohnert Park Unified School District has made the decision to provide technology devices to all students in order to ensure proper access to learning resources for all. While our hope is to provide an even baseline of devices for our students, we understand that some families would rather provide their child with their own technology and may not want redundant devices in their home. To this end, parents/guardians are able to opt-out from accepting district technology for their students. You must agree to and understand the following stipulations of choosing to provide your own technology.

- Our enterprise grade web/content filters will not filter student devices not provided by the district. The parent/guardian takes sole responsibility for the web content their child is exposed to when using their device outside of our school networks. Standard web filtering while the device is in use at a school site will remain in place.
- 2. The district is unable to provide hardware or software support for personal technology devices as they are not enrolled in our management systems and therefore not accessible to us.
- 3. The district will not be able to provide apps or browser extensions for personal devices and the install of these resources will fall to the student parent/guardian.
- 4. The parent/guardian will need to communicate with their student's teacher/school to ensure that the chosen personal device is compatible with platforms and curriculum the class will be using for instruction.
- 5. The personal device provided for the student's use should be portable in the event that onsite learning requires the presence of the device at school. The one-to-one model at the district will severely limit the amount of on hand technology at school sites and there will not be loaner devices provided for onsite instruction.

Parents and Guardians retain the right to opt out of receiving district technology for their student/s as long as they provide their student with the necessary technology to participate in classroom instruction. Family provided devices must adhere to the following:

- 1. The devices that students bring to school are their sole responsibility.
- 2. The school site or district assumes no responsibility for personal devices if they are lost, loaned, damaged, or stolen.
- 3. Personal devices may be subject to investigation in accordance with District Policy.
- 4. Students are expected to keep their devices secure at all times and not loan to others.
- 5. Students are expected to exhibit digital responsibility and all web traffic filtering and monitoring services will apply to the student's personal device while at school.

The district recommends the use of iPads for students in grades TK-1<sup>st</sup> and Chromebooks for grades 2-12. A parent or guardian that has opted out of receiving district technology may reverse their decision and request a device for their student at any point during the school year. You will be asked to fill out and turn in an opt-out form to your student's school office if you wish to provide your own device.

Failure to adhere to these policies and guidelines may result in disciplinary action or loss of device use privileges. CRPUSD wants to ensure that these devices are recognized as robust learning tools that can create a sense of engagement and excitement for learning among our students. This goal can only be achieved through productive and responsible use of district technology.

We understand that instruction can be challenging during these difficult times and the district is happy to be able to provide technology to all students. If you still feel that your child will be best served by using their own personal device for instruction, please sign and date below to acknowledge that the district offered to provide a device for your student's use and that you have decided to opt out at this time. Thank you.

Student Name	School
Parent Signature	 Date