



Sammy McClure, Sr. Middle School

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Dear SMMS families,

The Paulding County School District recognizes the benefits of one-to-one (1:1) computing device assignment to students to provide the tool for accessing our digital content and resources for education. The 1:1 device model has become the norm and expectation throughout K-12 education as content delivery methods have shifted to individualized, digital platforms. Our feedback from community and staff is in support of assigning devices to all students, and with the support of our Board of Education and the district's strategic plan, we are able to move forward with this initiative for our students.

McClure Middle School is pleased to announce that we will deploy laptops to our students for home and classroom use on **Friday, November 18, 2022**. Parents may not pick up devices prior to November 18th. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the program and requirements for participation. Protective cases will be provided with the laptops, and students will be responsible for transport to and from school each day.

The Parent Dashboard section of our district website houses the information you will need to review as parents and students in advance of the deployment including the following:

Navigate to: Technology Resources > Student Laptop Program

1. Parent/Student 1:1 Computing Device Guide Student Laptop Program
2. Digital Safety Tips
3. Optional Laptop Insurance Program – You may purchase optional accidental damage or loss insurance for the laptop priced at \$24.00 to cover exceptions to our device support, maintenance, and warranty coverage. The insurance may be purchased after receiving the laptop and have the device information (serial number on asset tag).

Navigate to: Parent Portal (Infinite Campus)

A requirement to be issued a laptop is to sign the Computing Device Agreement form located in the Parent Portal. The form will appear in your Parent Portal account beginning Thursday, November 3rd.

Instructions:

1. Log into Parent Portal (Infinite Campus Portal Login).
2. Select 'Documents' from the menu.
3. Click 'Needs Attention' (Computing Device Agreement).
4. Click the 'Continue Edit' button, complete all fields on the form, and follow prompts for your digital signature of approval. Parent Dashboard link: Technology Division / Parent Dashboard (paulding.k12.ga.us)

Additional resources, including a Parent Digital Learning Video Series, is available on the Parent Dashboard for you to help support your child's use of digital resources and navigate the Canvas learning management system.

Two tasks to complete BEFORE your child can receive their laptop on November 18th:

1. Review the Parent/Student 1:1 Computing Device Guide with your student
2. Sign the Computing Device Agreement in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal

*** Please note: Once laptops are assigned, no other student devices (i.e. students' personal laptop, cell phones, personal tablets, etc.) will connect to the network. After November 18th, there will not be a need for cell phone use throughout the school day for any reason. The use of cell phones during the day will be prohibited and consequences will be assigned if they are seen or utilized. There will be allowable exemptions for the monitoring of medical apps on student cell phones. All cell phones brought to school will be stored in a bag, locker, or purse at all times. This practice will limit distractions and disruptions to the learning environment.**

We welcome you to come to McClure Middle School during the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and we will assist through the sign off process. For your convenience sign off instructions are attached.

Thank you! We look forward to providing our students with laptops dedicated for their individual use and learning!

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Hayes or Mrs. Ponder.

Respectfully,



Jaynath Hayes

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