

# BELVIDERE SCHOOL DISTRICT 1-1



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# TECHNOLOGY

## Belvidere Schools 1:1 PROGRAM

### Why a 1:1 Initiative?

Today's learners are engaged in the use of technology to a far greater extent than ever before. They connect socially, pursue interests and information, and share ideas quickly.

Integrating technology and great instruction allows students to connect with people, places, and ideas in the context of the school curriculum.

Our children want to be involved and have a voice. Student use of technology in the classroom teaches them how to collaborate with others responsibly, evaluate information, and develop products that spotlight their understanding and abilities.

Students will be expected to have these skills as they enter a competitive workforce. Their experiences in the technology-connected classroom provide them with the confidence and skill to be successful.

### Why use ChromeBooks?

ChromeBooks represent a new "space" in technology: This space is between the mobile space (phones and iPods) and the portable space (laptops and netbooks).

Chromebooks require little, if any maintenance. It is a completely web-based device, so there is no need for downloading or installing programs, resulting in less need for technical support.

The Chromebook is a blank canvas, an engaging device with high potential for transforming the way young people learn.

Chromebooks have many features for enhancing productivity, including: instant-on, all day battery life, auto-save to the Google Cloud, anywhere anytime learning, and functionality as a literacy tool, research station, history archive, language lab, art canvas, video editing suite, and library

## **1:1 User Agreement**

The Chromebook (henceforth know as “device”) is the property of Belvidere School District 100 and as such all terms of the Belvidere School District 100 Responsible User Agreement apply.

The District retains the right to revoke the privilege of use and may result in disciplinary action by the school for the following reasons:

- The device will be used for educational purposes only.
- The device will not be used for unethical use of the Internet or email by students.
- The school-provided Chromebook case will be used at all times.
- The device is the property of the Belvidere School District and as a result may be seized and reviewed at any time. The student should have NO expectation of privacy of materials found on the device.

At all times, students are expected to follow classroom rules and expectation regarding appropriate use of the device and installed apps. Gmail is to be used only as directed by classroom teachers.

**The District will maintain the ability to block access to sites, check usage history, and locate the device at any given time.**

## **Student Use and Care of the Chromebook**

No food or drink is allowed next to your device.

Cords, cables and removable storage devices must be inserted CAREFULLY into the device.

Students (users) should not attempt to gain access to the internal electronics of the device or attempt to repair the device. If the device fails to work or is damaged, the student should report the problem to the teacher as soon as possible. The District Technology Department will determine device repair/replacement options. A temporary replacement device or alternate materials may be issued until the repair/replacement process is completed.

Never leave a device unattended. When not in your personal possession, the device should be in a secure, locked environment. Devices should never be shoved into a locker or wedged into a book bag as this may break the screen. High school students may carry their device in their backpack as long as it is in the case provided by the school district. Unattended devices will be collected and stored in the school’s technology office. Chromebooks should be shut down when not in use to conserve battery life.

Students should use the device on a flat and stable surface.

Students should never “work on” the device while walking around the classroom or down the hallways.

To prevent damage, never expose a device to long-term temperature extremes or direct sunlight.

The devices do not respond well to liquids. Avoid applying liquids to the device. The device can be cleaned with a clean soft anti-static or microfiber cloth. Do not use window cleaners, household cleaners, aerosol sprays, solvents, alcohol, ammonia, or abrasives to clean the device.

The device comes with a case. The role of the case is to protect the device, especially while the chromebook is being transported. When not in use, leave the device in its case at all times.

The device must remain free of any permanent writing, drawing, stickers or labels that are not the property of the Belvidere School District. Any decorations added to the case must not disrupt the educational process, interfere with the maintenance of a positive teaching/learning climate, or compromise reasonable standards of health, safety, and decency. Any alteration to the case which is not acceptable will require the student/family/guardian to purchase a replacement case.

Avoid placing weight on the device screen or placing anything on the Chromebook keyboard before closing the lid (e.g. pens, pencils, earbuds, or notebooks). Weight on the case or items between the keyboard and the screen can damage the screen.

The device comes equipped with camera and video capabilities. As with all recording devices, it is best practice and common courtesy to ask permission before recording an individual or group. Students must obtain school permission to publish a photograph or video of any school-related activity. These functions should only ever be utilized if a school assignment requires them to be used.

Students should recognize and guard their personal and private information. While on the Internet, students shall not reveal personal information, including a home address or phone number, or the address or phone numbers of other students.

### **Parents' Role in Student Use of Technology**

Belvidere School District 100 recognizes that with new technologies come new challenges to both teachers and parents. Below is a series of suggestions that may aid you, the parent, in guiding your child's use of the device.

Parents are encouraged to use the Internet with your child to help develop safe surfing habits. Children often model adult behavior.

Go where your child goes online. Monitor the places that your child visits. Let your child know that you're there, and help teach her/him how to act as s/he works and socializes online.

Encourage your student(s) to share with you items (homework, projects, etc) they are working on in class

Parents are encouraged to become familiar with the apps or websites that your student is utilizing in school.

Parents should read and share the Belvidere Community Unit School District 100 Student User Agreement with their student(s). By doing so, both parents and students develop clear sets of expectations and limitations for the students.

The district has selected a Chromebook management service called GoGuardian. This service allows for the remote filtering of district-issued Chromebooks. This service also has theft prevention features that assist the district in locating stolen devices. To find out more about GoGuardian visit their website: <https://www.goguardian.com>

### **Fee for Incidental Damage**

Should the device be damaged beyond normal wear and tear (i.e abuse, neglect, intentional damage, inappropriate decoration on the case) the student/parent/guardian will be charged a fee for needed repairs, not to exceed the replacement cost of the ChromeBook. The District administration will make the final determination of any fees assessed.