

## Midland Schools Technology Insurance Information

Midland is offering **OPTIONAL** Technology Insurance this year to parents of students in grades PS-12. We want to offer parents the security of paying a \$30 Technology Insurance Fee to insure themselves of not having to pay higher replacement/repair costs due to accidental damage.

Before a student is allowed to take home a technology device, the parent must sign off in PowerSchool Parent Permissions **YES** to both **Technology Policy** and **Electronic Device Agreement** and students in grades 6-12 must also answer YES to both in their student PowerSchool Student Permissions page.

- **Technology Policy** states that the student will use the school technology (device and internet) in appropriate ways and if not lists possible repercussions.
- **Electronic Device Agreement** says the parent authorizes the student to check out an electronic device for use at school or home and takes financial responsibility for any damage to that device.

If you opt to purchase the school technology insurance it is good for this school year only and would cover the costs involved for the first issue of damage. *If you damaged the charger, the cost may be less than the \$30 fee, you may opt to pay that lower cost and keep your insurance in effect for any future issues this year.*

If you use the technology insurance at any time you can opt to purchase additional insurance at \$30 in case of another instance of damage. If a 2<sup>nd</sup> damage occurs, you can purchase additional insurance at \$60 for future damage. This policy is in effect for the current school year while enrolled at Midland Schools (grades K – 12), the office will keep track of each student's use of technology insurance and when you get to a third time the cost raises. If a student has too many issues, the school may elect to not offer insurance to that student again due to their history of being a poor risk.

The insurance only covers **accidental damage**. It does not cover intentional, malicious damage. If administrators determine, after researching the situation, that a student intentionally damaged a piece of technology the insurance does not go into effect and the parent will be charged full replacement/repair costs. Insurance does not cover not returning items, like the charger.

**THEFT:** If an item is stolen you would need to file a police report and get a copy of that to the district office before the technology insurance could be used.

At this time here are the technology assignments and *current costs\** associated with each:

**Students in grades K-12** will all be issued a **chromebook** at school. Replacement costs for a chromebook are currently \$375.00. There are only two items on a chromebook that our IT department can fix if damaged: screen \$75.00 and keyboard \$40.00. Replacement charger is \$20.

**Students in grades PS-3** will also have available to them a **tablet chromebook**. Replacement cost is \$250.00. Keyboard and screen are part of the chromebook and cannot be replaced so if broken the cost is \$250.00. Replacement charger is \$20.

All school issued computer bag replacement cost is \$28.00. These are issued to students in grades 6-12.

If you have further questions, please feel free to contact the school.

*Commonly asked question:*

*Can my student use a laptop/chrome book that we have at home?*

*Yes, students can use their own laptops/Chromebooks at home. At school, students must use a school chromebook so that we can monitor usage in the building. So while using the device at school they are financially responsible for that device.*

*If students are going to use a home laptop/chromebook at home, they would just need to make sure that they have their login information for any school websites used for classwork as we usually have them saved here at school.*

**\*\*Prices listed above were as of July 2023. If the prices increase we must pass that along to parents.**