21st Century Laker I-pad Initiative

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why is the Lakeview School District issuing iPads to students in 9-12?

A: The Lakeview School District believes in preparing students for 21st Century Skills. Our students will have equal access to technology and resources. Students will be creators of content not just consumes with technology integration in the classroom.

Q: What is the Technology Fee?

A: Each school year there will be a \$40.00 non-refundable fee per student.

Q: What does the Technology Fee cover?

A: The Technology Fee will be used as part of the iPad replacement and battery replacement program. The Technology Fee will also provide insurance coverage of one claim due to accidental damage, fire, and vandalism.

Q: Will students be expected to bring their iPad to school every day?

A: Yes, students are expected to bring their iPad to school fully charged daily.

Q: Will my child be issued the same iPad next year?

A: Yes. School officials will make every attempt to issue the student the same iPad each year. Students should take very good care of their iPad since they may be using the same iPad for multiple years.

Q: How will the Lakeview School District prevent access to inappropriate websites?

A: We will use the same filter that we currently use to filter websites at school. The software will automatically filter and firewall websites on and off campus. Students should not attempt to bypass the filtering system, as doing so would result in violation of the Technology Acceptable Use Policy #524. The filtering software will work on any internet connection so parents will not have to purchase filtering software for the iPad while the student is at home. Please remember that filtering is not a replacement for supervision of technology.

Q: Can my child load apps onto the iPad?

A: Yes. Students will be allowed to load school appropriate apps onto the iPad. However, if the student is reaching capacity on the iPad, he/she will be asked to remove any non-school related apps to clear up free space.

Q: What happens if the iPad is stolen?

A: A police report must be filed by the student or parents within 48 hours of the occurrence. If the iPad is stolen and the student reports the theft (by the next school day) and a police report filed, the student will not be charged. A copy of the report must be brought to the school.

Q: We have an iPad at home; can my child use that iPad?

A: At this time, we would not approve for a student to bring their own iPad to school for educational purposes.

Q: Should we invest in a wireless keyboard?

A: Students will use the iPad keyboard feature. A student may choose to use an optional, external keyboard provided by the parent.

Q: How will my child save and access files needed for classes?

A: Students will take notes and complete worksheets using the District purchased app called Notability. Notability has the ability to back up files to Google Drive. All students will have a District-issued Google Drive account and Gmail to use. Google Drive saves the information securely in the cloud. Certain technical reasons may require a device to be wiped. Students are responsible for keeping their content and documents backed up.

Q: What if we don't have Internet access at home?

A: Students at the high school will have access to the Media Center before and after school to complete their homework assignments. Students will also be able to download any assignments onto their iPad before they leave school. This will allow the student to complete the work at home without Internet access and turn assignments in the following day when they arrive at school. A portable mobile hotspot may also be checked out of the high school office at no charge. A student must have a written permission note from the classroom teacher and the mobile hotspot must be returned to school the next day.

Q: Will the iPad last all day at school?

A: The iPad battery is designed to last 8-10 hours. If a student knows he/she will be using an app that may draw more battery power, it is suggested he/she bring their charging cord to school.