

## POLK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS – 1 to 1 LAPTOP INITIATIVE

*Dear Parents & Families, Student Laptops will be going home the first full week of school.*

Through the Digital Learning Initiative, Polk County is now a 1:1 school district in which all students have a digital device to support their learning goals. LHMS students will be given a laptop to use in class AND at home at **no cost** to families. Student devices are considered instructional material much like a textbook or a calculator. Students are expected to follow the Code of Conduct and Responsible Use Policy.

**Your child will receive the following: 1) HP Laptop 2) Charger 3) Protective Case**

Students are expected to return laptops, chargers, and cases in the same condition in which they were issued. *While normal wear and tear will be taken into consideration, students who have mistreated the equipment **will be responsible for repair/replacement costs.*** In this event, students will be issued a fine to cover the cost of repairing or replacing the equipment in alignment with the PCPS Device Repair and Recovery Costs table provided below.

The Device Recovery Costs table provides a list of the most common repair costs for the different mobile devices used in Polk County Public Schools as part of the Digital Learning Initiative. It is not a comprehensive list, and any other damage not included in the list below will be assessed and assigned a fee according to the damage.

### **Polk County Public Schools Estimated Device Repair and Recovery Costs**

Device	Device Replacement	Battery	Keyboard	Screen	Base Enclosure	Motherboard	Power Board	Charger
<b>Laptops</b>	<b>\$674.50</b>	<b>\$65.65</b>	<b>\$101.41</b>	<b>\$130.76</b>	<b>\$70.99</b>	<b>\$197.74</b>	<b>\$46.09</b>	<b>\$35.17</b>

For Families that opt-out of a device *going home* you will need to submit a Device Opt-Out Form. Copies of this form can be found in the main office. Families cannot opt-out of using a device at school. For further information, including web filtering, security, damage info, and FAQs, please visit the Polk County Public Schools website: <https://polkschoolsfl.com/onetoone>. **Optional laptop insurance can also be found on this website.** Families deal with insurance directly through the website and not through the school.

**There is NOT a form that needs to be signed to grant your child permission.**

Students will take an internet safety course and a course covering acceptable use of laptops.

Students need **FULLY CHARGED** laptops at school every day.

Students **WILL NOT** be allowed to charge laptops at school/in classrooms.

Any laptop damage needs to be reported to a teacher as soon as possible.

**THANK YOU** for continuing to help our students adapt to life in the digital age, and remember that Cougars are **RESPECTFUL** (to the equipment), **RESPONSIBLE** (for their laptops), **ACTIVE LEARNERS** (while using their devices), and **PROBLEM SOLVERS** (whether it involves technology or not)!