LMS High School Chromebook

Dear High School Students and Families,

In an effort to accommodate student and family requests for technology in the classroom and to provide our students with the skills needed to succeed in the future, we use a *BYOD-(Laptop) program*. A *Bring Your Own Device* program is a widely accepted model used in public schools across the country where students bring in a laptop from home. The device is highly recommended for our curriculum. They will be utilized for textbooks, content creation and as research tools. We believe that the laptop will be one of the most valuable investments over the next 2-4 years of your student's career here.

Our program will be limited to the use of **Google Chromebooks**. Their performance, low cost and system integration to our Google Suite for Education program make them a highly effective choice with minimal financial burden. We will not allow or support other platforms (Windows, Mac etc.) Please see this <u>link</u> for more Chromebook information.

Android Apps will not be allowed or supported on campus this year

- The Chromebook needs to be checked-in with our IT Administrator to gain access to the network and will be identifiable by its unique address. This will be imperative in enforcing the updated student technology policy.
- LMS will provide all technical support for these Chromebooks to both students and parents, however, any repairs of the uninsured devices will be the responsibility of the student and family.
- If you already have a Chromebook at home or are purchasing that you
 would like to use and have questions, please contact
 admin@lowcomo.com. All Windows PCs and Macs will NOT be permitted.

LMS Recommended Specifications

- At least an 11" screen
- Minimum of 4 GB RAM
- 8+ hours of Battery Life
- Durable or case/cover
- PLEASE CHECK the "End of Life" Auto-Update times!
- End of Life link: https://support.google.com/chrome/a/answer/6220366?hl=en

Recommended Models

There are many choices out there from under \$200 to \$1000 and while we can not recommend a particular model or brand, it is our recommendation to examine your needs and repairability. As an example, previously we have purchased the Lenovo 100e 2nd generation. (LINK)

Any further questions regarding the purchase of your Chromebook can be directed to our administration at admin@lowcomo.com or see our FAQ on the website.

Thank You for your support, Lowcountry Montessori School Administration Team