

Shorewood High School

Laptop Opt Out Form

Family Option Model for the 7-12 Laptop Initiative

Based on staff and parent input received through the recent laptop survey – as well as other feedback and data – the district is revising its policy regarding the laptop program to better accommodate the diverse preferences for laptop access expressed by stakeholders. Specifically, the new policy is designed to **allow families to choose between 1) having their student(s) check out a laptop for full 24/7 access with an agreement to all fees and conditions set by the district and/or school, or 2) to use school-housed laptops when teachers determine they are needed for classroom activities, plus parents are agreeing to provide sufficient access to home technology for completion of school assignments.** If you are choosing Option 2: In-school access to laptops for classroom activities and parent-provided home access:

- 1) Teaching staff will make laptops available to students when they are needed for classroom activities; laptops will not be available for student use if they are not part of that day's class work. Each school will make provisions for some level of supplemental access to computers during the school day. At SW this will mean iMacs in the Library as well as 1 per classroom.
- 2) Classroom laptops will have all standard Shoreline software installed, but students will not be able to save work to laptops; instead they will need to utilize student servers, USB drives.
- 3) Families choosing not to receive a district laptop for home access assume responsibility for providing adequate computer access at home for the completion of school assignments. Teachers will be planning instruction on the assumption that students have home computer access to complete work.
- 4) Students will be responsible for checking teacher web sites or other online publication of assignments, due dates, documents, etc.
- 5) Students using in-school laptops are expected to follow all existing standards of acceptable use and care/handling. Damages resulting from intentional abuse or neglect will result in appropriate fees for repair costs. Misuse of the laptops can result in disciplinary action and potential loss of access.

Please check each that apply to your decision to option your student out of the Shoreline School District Laptop distribution:

Financial constraints - **Please note there are scholarships available to defray laptop fees**

Lack of technology support including lack of internet/internet filter at home.

We have a computer at home for student to use.

My child did not use the laptop last year in compliance with my expectations.

My child did not use the laptop last year in compliance with school/district expectations.

Please note: For personal safety and network compatibility reasons, we do not encourage the use of privately owned computers on campus. If you feel strongly about providing your child with his/her own laptop for use in school, please contact Jim Golubich, Director of Instructional Technology at (206) 361-4410 for terms and conditions.

Date: _____

Student Name _____
(Please Print)

Parent Name: _____ Parent Signature _____
(Please Print)