



May 25, 2021

Superintendent Message: Student Summer Chromebook Usage

Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff and Community Members,

It has been great to see our students back on our campuses the past few weeks as we wrap up the 2020-21 school year. We understand that many families are anxious to continue with student progress and learning over the summer and we are responding with an update on our plans to provide devices to students over the summer.

We are planning to allow our students to keep their Chromebooks to support and facilitate summer learning. Additionally, hot spots are available for families who do not have internet access, and those families who currently have district-issued hotspots may continue to use them over the summer. Several software applications will be accessible over the summer, as well. Here are the details:

Chromebooks

- Students who will be at the same school in the fall may keep their current Chromebook.
- If you are moving schools or leaving the district, your school will request that you turn in your chromebook.
- If you are a rising middle or high school student, you will receive a follow up notification with chromebook check out dates during the 3rd or 4th week of June.
- Families with Chromebooks over the summer should review Summer Chromebook Care Instructions: <https://bit.ly/3hQAXyU>
- Chromebook Hardware Support can be accessed by emailing your school site tech at their respective emails: <http://bit.ly/SMMTechSupport2020>
- If you are a graduating senior, you are required to return your Chromebook and Hotspot. Please follow instructions from your school on returning your devices.

Hotspots

- Students who will be at the same school in the fall may keep their Hotspot for summer use.
- If you are moving schools or leaving the district, your school will request that you turn in your Hotspot.
- If you are a rising middle or high school student, you will receive a follow up notification with hotspot check out dates during the 3rd or 4th week of June.
- If you are a graduating senior, you are required to return your Chromebook and Hotspot. Please follow instructions from your school on returning your devices.

Applications

- As standard yearly practice, Clever sync will be paused on June 9, 2021. This pause allows students to access the previous school year resources over the summer. Clever sync will be activated on August 9, at which point students may lose access to various services (resulting from grade level change). The August Application Sync will be

completed as quickly as possible but may take until the second day of school for all applications to fully populate into Clever.

- Google Classroom resources are available for all students over the summer. Should your teacher Archive the classroom, it can be viewed by following these instructions: <https://bit.ly/3fJon1H>
- Transferring out Student Content from SMMK12 district account: Seniors or students Leaving SMMUSD will have until August 9, 2021 to transfer their content out of SMMK12 account. Accounts will be suspended after that date. Instructions can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3bMSMes>

The district has invested considerable resources from our COVID funding into providing a device for each student and teacher during this past year of distance learning, and now through the summer. We appreciate students taking care of these devices so we may continue to use them and have them available for students throughout the school year.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ben Drati, Superintendent