

Dear parent or guardian,

Greencastle High School and Greencastle Middle school students in grades 6-11 will be able to keep their GCSC issued computer over the summer of 2019. This will be the first year that GCSC will not be collecting the device over the summer. We have compiled a list of answers to common questions that you may have. If you have any additional questions please contact your child's school.

What if my student is enrolled for summer School

Students enrolled in summer school will be expected to bring their device charged and ready for school everyday. Once summer school is completed the student will be able to keep the device for the rest of the summer.

What if we move out of district over the summer

If your student will not be returning to GCSC in August 2019 please turn in the device on the last day of school or drop off the device at GCSC's Central Office during regular office hours (M-F 8:00am - 3:30pm).

What if we need help with the device over the summer (what if the device is damaged)

Drop off technology support will be available over the summer. You will be able to drop the device off at the high school during regular office hours. The device will be fixed and you will get a call when the device is ready to be picked up.

The same repair costs that apply during the school year will continue to apply over the summer. During the 3 years of the lease, the cost for the first repair of physical damage is \$49. The cost of the second repair is \$49. The cost of the third and any subsequent repairs is the lower of the cost of the repair (screen replacements are \$200) or the cost of the device (\$430).

What if I do not want my student to have the device over the summer

Parents/guardians may write a note to the school office to opt out of keeping the device over the summer. Notes to opt out of keeping the device over the summer are due to the school's office by Friday, May 17, 2019.

Will we be able to keep the device forever

The devices are on a 3 year lease. The lease will be completed at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. At this point in time, a decision has not been made as to what will be done with the devices at the end of the lease cycle.

Why will seniors not be able to keep their device?

The devices are on a 3 year lease. Senior devices will be collected and prepared for incoming 6th grade students that will use them during the 2019-2020 school year.

When can I get more information about GCSC Technology?

Information sessions will be held on Tuesday, July 30th, and Wednesday, July 31st, from 9-10AM and from 2-3PM. These sessions will be held in the GMS cafe. Also, there will be a session on Monday, August 5th from 2-3PM and again from 6-7PM in the Central Office Boardroom. During these sessions you will be able to get more information about teaching and learning in the digital age. If you have additional questions, you may contact your student's school for more information.

Will internet access be filtered during the summer?

The same content filtering technology that is in place during the school year will remain in place over the summer months. No content filter is perfect. Please monitor your student's technology usage throughout the summer.

Why are devices being sent home this summer?

In previous years, Windows 10 has been changing fast enough that every device needed to be re-imaged (setup from scratch) each summer. Windows 10 has now matured to where that process will not be necessary this summer. It is also GCSC's desire that students will use their device to continue their education over the summer. That may be anywhere from working on homework for a high school AP class to watching howto video on Youtube to help with a project around the house.