Parent Information 1:1 iPad Technology Initiative



<u>Vision:</u> NPUSC will provide a quality educational program that emphasizes a commitment to excellence for all students.

NPUSC is still committed to Excellence for all Students!

- iPads will not decrease the level of high commitment or quality of instruction that we provide for our NPUSC students.
- The decision making process in transitioning to a 1:1 environment was highly strategic. A technology committee that included administrators, teachers, and technology staff from all five schools was formed. We met regularly and visited other 1:1 schools to discuss best options for the school district. In addition, we conducted 3 extra board work sessions where we provided an open forum for community members to voice concerns or challenges.
- NPUSC has stayed committed in providing parents with the most affordable textbook and school supply fees.
 - □ Kindergarten \$69
 - □ 1st Grade \$89
 - □ 2nd Grade \$89
 - □ 3rd Grade \$115
 - □ 4th Grade \$115
 - □ 5th Grade \$115

1:1 Parent Nights

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How will 1:1 be deployed?

- □ Students will receive their iPads starting Thursday, August 15th-Friday, September 6th as long as their parent(s)/guardian have signed the Acceptable Use Policies. Each student will receive an iPad "Basic Function" training from their classroom teacher on various iPad operations. It will be up to teacher's discretion on the how/when the training fits their classroom schedule.
- □ Each student will receive an iPad bag with a name tag and a case. The expectation is that if the iPad leaves the class, they HAVE to carry their iPad in their bag. If an iPad ever has to be removed from a case, students should receive adult supervision.
- □ Every 2nd-5th grade student will have the opportunity to take their iPads home starting in January. Kindergarten and 1st grade parents will be surveyed after the first semester on feedback if iPads should be taken home. Until then, students will charge their iPads in classroom charging carts before they leave at the end of the day.
- □ Each classroom teacher will receive a stylus, iPad cloth cleaner, and a wedge stand. These items will mostly stay at school and be monitored by the classroom teacher.

What are Acceptable Use Policies? (AUPs)

- □Acceptable Use Policies (AUPs) are an integral part of any 1:1 technology framework. An AUP must be concise and clear, while at the same time covering the most important points about what users are, and are not allowed to do with the their device or on the school network.
- □ AUPs are written to protect the student and the school corporation. These NPUSC Acceptable Use Policies have been approved by our school board and legal counsel.
- □Parents will have to sign the AUPs before their child receives an iPad. A student may not have access to their iPads until this form is signed.

What is offered with the optional iPad insurance?

- □ By law we are not allowed to mandate that parents purchase insurance. However, we will offer a group insurance rate that will be \$41 a school year.
- □ This is around a 25% savings when compared to a family going to purchase a plan on their own. This policy will have a zero dollar deductible on accidental breakage. This policy will have to be purchased by August 15th to receive the group rate. The signed form and payment may be turned into the building secretary.
- □ Parents are allowed to purchase an outside insurance plan on the iPad device. However, it has to be repaired by the corporation not through their insurance agency recommendations. NPUSC owns the device and we have to monitor how the device gets repaired.
- □ Free and Reduced lunch students do not qualify for free iPad insurance because it cannot be legally added to textbook fees.
- □ If a parent/guardian wish not to purchase the insurance, they will be charged the cost of the repair. These repairs will need to be taken care of within 30 days or other arrangements have been made.
- □ Theft is covered by this plan, but <u>not accidental loss</u>. A police report will need to be filed in case of a stolen iPad. If an iPad is stolen from a vehicle, forced entry will need to be proven by the Police.

What happens if my child breaks an iPad?

- ☐ If a student's iPad gets damaged OR there are technical issues, this is what will need to occur.
 - □ <u>1st Step</u>: Student will take the iPad and case to the school librarian.
 - 2nd Step: The librarian will fill out an incident device form. This form will have 4 copies attached to it. One for the parent, principal, technology department, and librarian. Administrators will have the right to investigate if there is a malicious act involved.
 - ☐ 3rd Step: The librarian will assign an iPad loaner to the student. The damaged or non-functioning iPad will be sent to the technology department. Loaner devices will never be able to leave the school building because they are not insured.
 - 4th Step: The technology department at Central Office will determine the next steps whether it is a problem caused by the device or student. The technology department will communicate the next steps to the parent on how the device will get repaired.
 - 5th Step: When device is repaired, the librarian will call down the student to switch out the loaner to the repaired device.
- ☐ How does it work with an Insurance policy:
 - If a parent purchases the insurance through Worth Avenue, we will turn in the claim and send the device in for them. Worth Avenue will contact the parent/technology department about the claim.
 - If a parent chooses to purchase an outside insurance provider, we will send the device for repairs to a local company and parents will be be billed an invoice for the repairs. It will be the parent's responsibility to work with their insurance provider to get that balanced handled.



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Worth Ave. Group Insurance Coverage

New Prairie United School Corporation (New Carlisle, IN) has chosen Worth Ave. Group as the vendor of choice to insure school issued iPads given to students and faculty. Insurance with Worth Ave. Group will protect the iPad against ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE, THEFT, FIRE, FLOOD, NATURAL DISASTERS, POWER SURGE and VANDALISM. This insurance policy will provide full replacement cost coverage and will protect the item worldwide (on and off school grounds). The policy is also transferable to a replacement unit and there is no limit to the number of claims that can be filed during the policy term.

About Us

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What is a digital citizenship program?

- □ NPUSC is dedicated to help students and parent(s)/guardians discuss the impact of digital media on our kids' social, emotional, and intellectual development.
- □ All K-5th grade students will have at least 7 lessons on the following topics before Christmas break geared to specific grade levels.
 - □ Internet Safety
 - □ Privacy & Security
 - □ Relationships & Communication
 - Cyber bullying
 - □ Digital footprints
 - □ Information Literacy
 - □ Creative Credit
- □ Teachers may or may not add further lessons depending on the grade level and classroom. You can view these teaching lessons on the Common Sense Media.org website.



- □ Will my child have an iTunes account?
 - □ No, each elementary iPad will be managed by a classroom iTunes account.
- □ How long will a student keep their iPads?
 - Assuming the student remains an active student at NPUSC, they will have the same iPad for a period of 4 years or until they switch iPads upon entering the 6th and 9th grade.
- □ Will the students in grades K-5 be able to take their iPad home over the summer break?
 - No, the iPads will be collected at the end of the school year so that they can be upgraded with new apps, cleaned, and repaired if needed.
- □ What if a student doesn't have Internet at home?
 - Teachers are aware that not all students have Internet access at home and will provide appropriate accommodations when necessary for students without home Internet access. We also offer an after school program at each elementary that students have free WIFI access as well.
- ☐ If we have our own iPad, can we use that and not pay the for the NPUSC iPad?
 - No, we cannot allow students to bring their own iPads due to the difficulty in distributing and monitoring applications for more than 1,400 devices.
- ☐ If our child loses or damages their iPad case or their bag, what is the cost of replacement?
 - □ Bag replacement: \$7.75
 - □ iPad case replacement: \$19.40



- Ask questions to help clarify any information
- □ Sign Acceptable Use Policies
- □ Take care of textbook fees
- Ask additional information regarding free and reduced lunch/textbook applications
- Decide if you would like to purchase iPad insurance