## Chromebook Orientation Meeting

2018-2019 School Year

## What's Our Why?

Why are we providing a Chromebook for our students for their schoolwork?

Answer: To Close The Digital Divide.

#### The Digital Divide

The "digital divide" - a term that refers to the gaps in access to information and communication technology.

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Access to computers and the Internet and the ability to effectively use this technology are becoming increasingly **important** for full participation in America's economic, political and social life.

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#### EmpowerEd T-Mobile MiFi

As part of the EmpowerEd grant program, students who receive a Chromebook will also receive a T-Mobile MiFi for

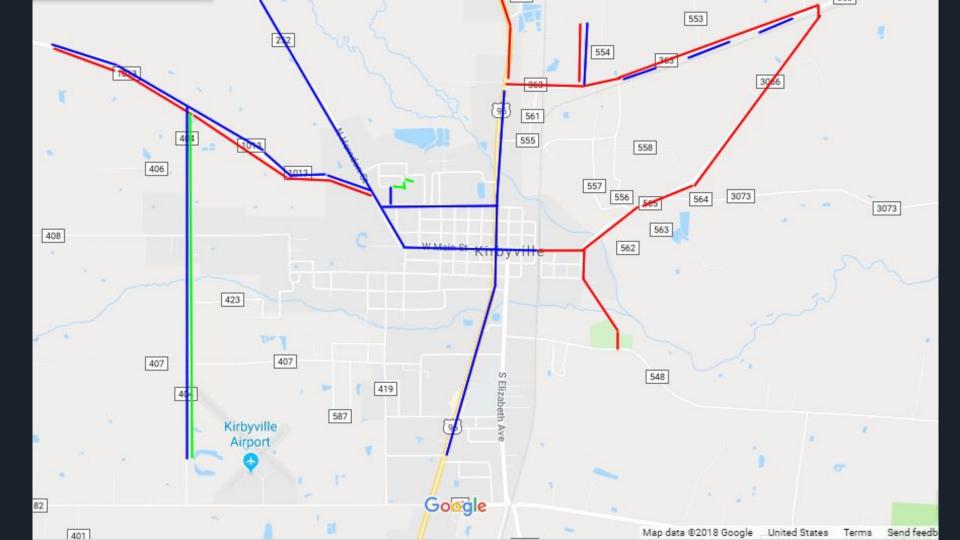
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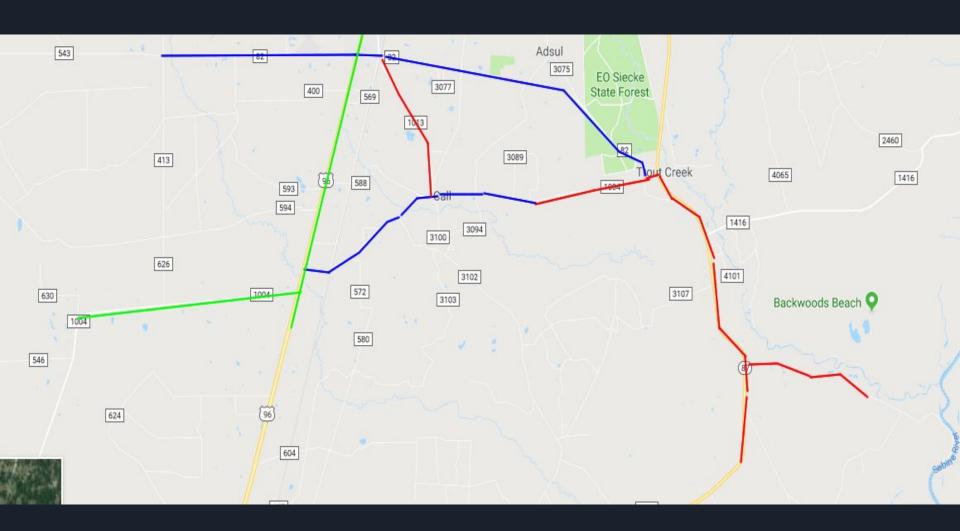


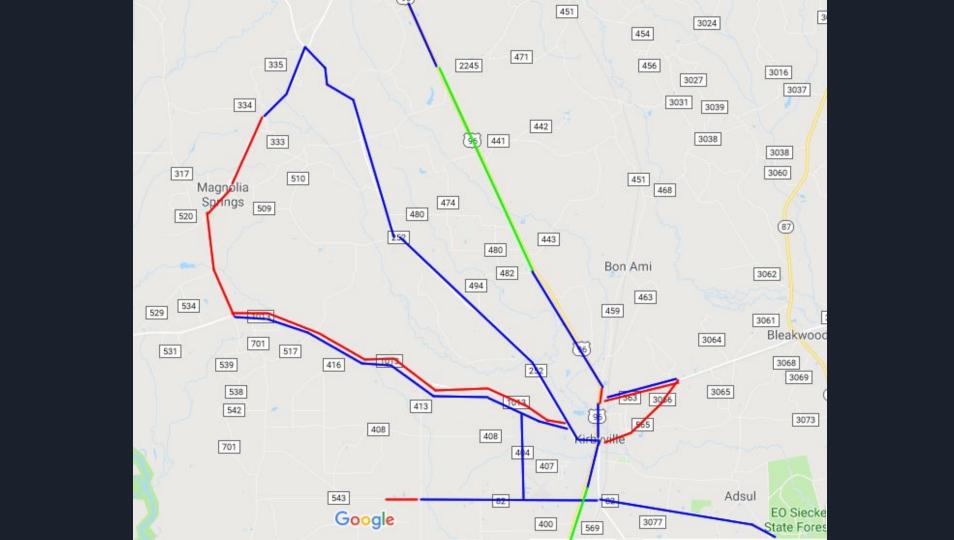
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Neither T-Mobile nor KCISD can guarantee the reception for data in all areas of Kirbyville CISD.

- Weak signal areas
- Areas that have little to no signal







#### EmpowerEd T-Mobile MiFi

T-Mobile is upgrading their signal to the towers North and South of Kirbyville in September 2018. They tell us that all areas of Kirbyville should see significant signal increase when the upgrade is complete.

#### Chromebook Handbook

Please download and read through the Chromebook Handbook.

It can be found on our website at

www.kirbyvillecisd.org

#### 1:1 Student Handbook



2018-2019 KCISD Chromebook Procedures

# Taking Care of Your Chromebook



Students are responsible for the care of the Chromebook that they have been issued by the school.

Siblings and friends should *NOT* have use of the Chromebook.

Chromebooks that are broken or fail to work properly are to be taken to the campus library to be picked up by the Technology Department.

Take the Chromebook to the library as soon as possible if repairs are needed.

#### Care of Your Chromebook - General Precautions

No food or drink is allowed next to your Chromebook. Spills incur costly repairs.

Power cords & cables must be inserted and removed carefully.

NEVER carry the Chromebook while the screen is open.

Chromebooks should be put to sleep or shut down when not in use to conserve battery life. Chromebooks must remain free of any writing, drawing, stickers, or labels that are not the property of KCISD.

Do not expose your Chromebook to extreme temperatures or direct sunlight for extended periods of time.

Do not place your Chromebook in a position where it could easily be knocked off or crushed.

You are responsible for the condition of the Chromebook!



#### Carrying the Chromebook

When transporting the Chromebook between home and school, it should be in a backpack.

Never carry or grab the Chromebook by the screen.

Devices should be charged nightly to allow for usage throughout the day.

## Using Your Chromebook At School



Chromebooks are meant to be used EVERYDAY at school.

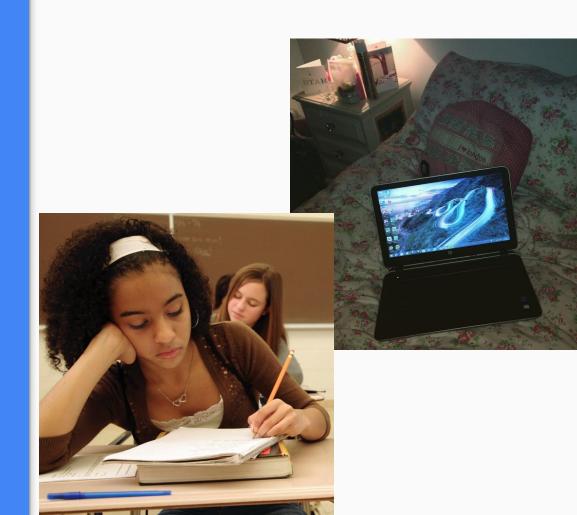
In addition to teacher expectations for Chromebook use, school messages, announcements, calendars, and schedules may be accessed using the Chromebook.

Students will utilize the Chromebooks only when instructed by their teacher.

#### Chromebooks Left at Home

If a student leaves their Chromebook at home repeatedly, it will result in a loss of take-home privileges and/or other disciplinary action.

Always bring your laptop to school with you.



# Screensavers and Backgrounds

Inappropriate media may not be used as a screensaver or background on your device. The presence of weapons, inappropriate images or language will result in disciplinary action.



#### Managing Files & Saving Work



Students *must* save ALL documents and files to their Kirbyville CISD Google Drive.

This drive is accessible 24/7 from any device in which the student has internet connection.

All files are subject to inspection by administrative staff.

# Protecting and Storing Your Chromebook

The Chromebook you are issued this year will be the same Chromebook you use every year while at your current campus.

Take good care of your Chromebook and protect it from damage or theft.

## Storing Your Chromebook



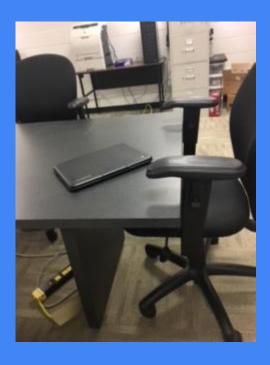
When not in use at school, your Chromebook should be stored in your backpack or locked in your locker.

Do not leave your Chromebook in a classroom, library, locker room, gym, or any other area of the school unsupervised.

Never leave your Chromebook in a vehicle, whether locked or not. They make a tempting target for thieves.

You are responsible for the Chromebook if lost or stolen!

## Chromebooks Left Unsupervised



Under no circumstances should Chromebooks be left in unsupervised areas.

Unsupervised areas include the school grounds and campus, the cafeteria, hallways, library, and unlocked classrooms.

Any device left in these areas is in danger of being stolen.

Unsupervised Chromebooks will be confiscated by staff and taken to the Campus Principal or Librarian.

Disciplinary action may be taken for leaving your Chromebook in an unsupervised location.



The cost of the insurance is \$20.00 per year and is to be paid by the parents at the start of the school year upon receiving the Chromebook. The insurance will cover the following:



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If the device is not covered by insurance, the repair costs are as follows:

- Broken Screen \$35
- Broken Keyboard, Keys, or Touchpad \$65
- Replacement For Lost, Stolen,
  Or Completely Unrepairable
  Chromebook \$210

### Power Adapter/Cord Loss/Replacement

If a student loses or destroys the power adapter and/or cord, they will be charged full replacement costs for those items.

These items are not covered by the insurance.

## Questions?



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## We hope you enjoy learning with



your KCISD Chromebook!