



### **Our Mission for Technology in Ankeny**

Ankeny Community Schools is committed to using technology to support growth in all learners to achieve a lifetime of personal success.

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As per previous years, the Ankeny Community School District encourages all 5th through 11th grade students to keep their school-issued Chromebook over the summer. This ensures students have a Chromebook on day one of the new school year, especially if they are moving to a different building. Keeping the same device from year-to-year also promotes student ownership and drastically reduces the amount of instructional time lost to collection and distribution of Chromebooks each year. Any student wishing to verify that they have the correct device before leaving for the summer should contact the school media center.

Students are encouraged to use their devices to pursue academic learning, hobbies, and other passions as long as those pursuits would be appropriate on a school-issued device. Examples include computer coding, audio-visual production, reading, writing, and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) activities. High school students should also consider using summer months to research colleges and apply for scholarships.

Even if a student does not intend to use the device over the summer, we ask families to store the device at home. Doing so guarantees that the student will have access to their Chromebook on the very first day of school and avoids potential delays during student registration and schedule pick-up. These devices do not require regular maintenance over the summer and can be safely stored on a shelf with the charger nearby.

All Chromebooks will continue to be filtered according to local, state, and federal policies and will remain the property of Ankeny Schools. Any damage to the devices will be repaired in the fall according to the current Technology Fine Schedule. Technical support is not available during the summer months.

- **LOST OR STOLEN DEVICES** should be reported immediately to the building principal.
- **FAMILIES WHO MOVE** over the summer can return their device(s) Monday-Friday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM to the home building of the student.

If you are unable to contact your building principal, contact the district office at 515-965-9600.

Students and families who have extenuating circumstances over the summer may contact the home building school library media center about options for summer storage by May 26, 2021.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to provide a seamless technology experience for all Ankeny students and families. Please reach out to your building principal with any questions.