



CORNERSTONE CHARTER ACADEMY

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Dear Cardinal Parents,

We are excited to welcome students back to our building this coming Tuesday! This summer has been quite a journey of revisioning, planning, and revising the traditional school year. As you can imagine, this has come with many challenges. While we have navigated many of them, there are a few that remain.

One of those surrounds technology. Because of the rush on remote learning devices and the challenges with nationwide supply lines, Chromebooks (the most affordable option for schools) have become difficult to obtain in a timely manner. We have several Chromebook orders that we are still waiting for, but it appears that they will not arrive in time to start school. We are also acutely aware of the potential for budget shortfalls this academic year. As such we are striving to be intentional in our spending by investing in devices that not only solve short term issues, but also provide for long term benefits for the school.

In the meantime, we are working diligently to develop approaches within the school to meet our technology needs within these parameters. One of our approaches is developing a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) plan. This plan will permit students to have devices with which they are comfortable, allows us to redistribute our current Chromebooks to increase our student coverage, and prevents us from unnecessary short term expenditures.

We would like any and all students who are able to participate in the BYOD plan. This plan would:

1. Allow students to bring their own device to the school.
2. Provide students with a log-in and password to a firewall protected school server.
3. Permit students to complete all their schoolwork on their own device.

In order to participate we would like you to complete the attached form. This form is critical because it allows us to know who will not need a school issued Chromebook, and to account for

how many Chromebooks we have available for redistribution. The BYOD form can be found here:

[Bring Your Own Device Sign-Up](#)

Thank you for taking the time to consider helping our school and our students. As supportive parents of Cornerstone, you are our most valuable asset. I am certain with your continued support and assistance we will continue to navigate this process successfully!

Sincerely,

Joe Caraher

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