



# Hoover City Schools



The Hoover City Schools is proud to announce the continuation of the 1-to-1 technology learning initiative in grades 3-12 for the 2014-15 school year. This Engaged Learning Initiative (**ELI**) is founded on the belief that success comes from effort, and effort comes from engagement.

Our goal is to make this initiative both efficient and effective for our students, parents, and teachers. Several changes have been made for the upcoming school year based on what we learned from last year's process. Please carefully review the complete **ELI Agreement** before accepting responsibility for your student's device to travel between home and school. The **ELI Agreement** can be found at [www.hcseli.com](http://www.hcseli.com).

## **Summary of Policies and Procedures 2014-2015 Engaged Learning Initiative**

### **Eli Website [www.hcseli.com](http://www.hcseli.com)**

This one-stop site will host all information, contacts, procedures, protection plan, and forms related to our Engaged Learning Initiative. A request form is provided on this site that can be used to request repairs, ask questions, or report problems with a student device. This site will be continually updated to provide the most current information available.

### **Device Check Out/Renewal**

Your student will be issued a new device or have the device that was checked out for the 2014 summer renewed when the following steps are completed:

- Student registration for the 2014-15 school year is completed online.
- The new ELI Agreement form must be electronically signed online.  
(form at the end of the handbook)

Devices **will not** be issued until the steps detailed above are complete. If a device was rented over the summer and the steps detailed above are not complete, the device must be turned into the school no later than August 8<sup>th</sup> .

### **Dates of check outs and renewals:**

- Hoover High: Check out - August 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>  
Renewal – Week of August 18<sup>th</sup>
- Spain Park High: Check out - August 6<sup>th</sup>  
Renewal - Week of August 18<sup>th</sup>
- Middle Schools & BGIS 6th Grade Check Out - Week of August 25<sup>th</sup>  
Renewal - Week of August 11<sup>th</sup>
- Grade 3 through 5: Check out - TBD in October (Please check website.)

### **Protection Plan/Summer Rental**

**Parents/guardians are solely responsible** for any damages to their student's device once the student takes possession of a school-issued device, without regard to the cause, fault, location, or circumstances. With this in mind, an optional protection plan is available to all parents and students who would like to insure their device against possible unforeseen damages. An optional protection plan may be purchased online at [myschoolfees.com](http://myschoolfees.com). AC power adapters and protective cases are NOT covered by this protection plan.

**Protection Plan /Summer Rental is offered through August 30th for \$25.** After August 30<sup>th</sup>, the fee will be raised to \$50 for any current student. Students enrolling new to our district after the first day of school will be allowed to purchase a protection plan for \$25 for 30 days following their registration date and \$50 if purchased after 30 days.

#### **Summary Information Devices with the Protection Plan:**

- Initial Policy Cost: \$25(non-refundable)
- Policy Deductible:
  - 1st damaged device-\$0.00
  - 2nd damaged device-\$0.00
  - After the second damaged device, the student will be responsible for the full replacement cost of any devices damaged.
  - A lost or stolen device cost is based on the value of the device as determined by the school district at the time that the lost/stolen report is made.

#### **Summary Information Devices without the Protection Plan:**

- 1st damaged device-\$50.00
- 2nd damaged device-\$50.00
- After the second damaged device, the student will be responsible for the full replacement cost of any devices damaged.
- A lost or stolen device cost is based on the value of the device as determined by the school district at the time that the lost/stolen report is made.

**Any malfunction or damage that is determined by Hoover City Schools' technology staff to be a manufacturer's defect will not be charged to the student and will be replaced. If the damage is determined to be intentional or malicious, the protection plan will not cover the cost of repair and the full amount of the repair/replacement will be due. Disciplinary actions may follow.**

## **Key Points and Conditions:**

1. Parents / guardians are solely responsible for any damages to their student's devices once the student takes ownership of these devices, without regard to the cause, fault, location, or circumstances. The protection plan covers repair or replacement for a full academic school year. You may only receive two (2) devices per year.
2. Students can receive **one** replacement per academic school year if a device is lost or stolen. If a student loses a second device in the same academic year, the student **will not** be issued a third device.
3. **Purchasing the protection plan also allows for the student to rent the device for the summer months.**
4. The initial cost of the protection plan for damages is \$25. After August 30th, the cost of the protection plan is \$50.
5. If a device is lost or stolen, the deductible is based on the value of the device as determined by the school district at the time the device was reported lost or stolen.
6. If a device is damaged cosmetically or otherwise **beyond repair**, the device will be treated as a lost device. This includes damage that is unfixable and prevents the device from being checked out to another student. An example would be that if a device is scratched beyond "normal use."
7. If the damage to the device is determined to be intentional or malicious, the protection plan will not apply. This determination is to be made solely by school administration and district technology staff, and in such cases, all repair/replacement costs will be due in full. The school has the right to apply disciplinary action as a result and suspend the student's use of technology for a period to be determined by the student's principal.
8. Any malfunction or damage that is determined by district technology staff to be a manufacturer's defect will not be charged to the student and the device will be replaced free-of-charge. This determination is to be made solely by school administration and HCS technology staff, and in such cases, the reported problem will not count toward the student's protection plan deductible.
9. Power chargers and protective cases are NOT covered by the protection plan.

10. All repairs and replacements must be arranged through Hoover City Schools. If any repairs or attempts to fix a broken or malfunctioning device are made by other entities, the protection plan will be nullified.
11. If your device is lost, damaged, or having technical issues, please report this to your student's teacher immediately and file a request on [www.hcse.li.com](http://www.hcse.li.com).