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Dear Parents and Guardians:

With excitement and anticipation Pawhuska Public Schools is looking forward to the launch of a 1:1 Chromebook initiative. A Chromebook is a laptop like device that is built around the internet experience with offline programs. Since your child is currently enrolled with Mrs. Kendrick for science and Mrs. Richardson for math they will participate in this pilot program.

The Chromebooks will be checked out to students and they will receive training the week of January 2 – 6, 2017. A \$50.00 non-refundable technology user fee must be paid by January 2, 2017. Students will be assigned a device for use during the school year and will be allowed to take them home each night. If the \$50.00 technology fee is not paid, the Chromebook must remain at school at all times. The purpose of this initiative is to use modern technology tools to fully engage students and create a learning environment that fosters critical thinking collaboration, communication and creativity.

This device levels the technology playing field for students providing the same access and opportunity to:

- Research the depth and breadth of the internet;
- Draw conclusions from data analysis;
- Create new presentations of expressions for their creative works and ideas;
- Use digital tools for organization;
- Communicate and collaborate with teachers and peers both locally and globally; and
- So very much more!

To receive a Chromebook, parents/guardians will need to complete a Chromebook Technology Use Agreement. Please review this document carefully with your child. Please sign, date, and return the signature page by January 2, 2017.

Thank you,

Pawhuska Public Schools Chromebook Team