



# ONE TO ONE AT EICS

Fall 2020

Elk Island Catholic Schools will be continuing with the Bring Your Own Device for learning program, known as "One to One". Students in Gr. 4-12 will be encouraged to bring technology that will support them in student-centred, personalized, authentic learning.

To ensure that students are utilizing technology for learning and growing as digital citizens, we have made refinements to the "One-to-One" program.

The refinements are:

## Gr. 4-8

**A Chromebook** is recommended as the **optimal** device.



## Gr. 9-12

Students are recommended to bring a device that has:

- a screen size larger than 7 inches\*
- an external keyboard

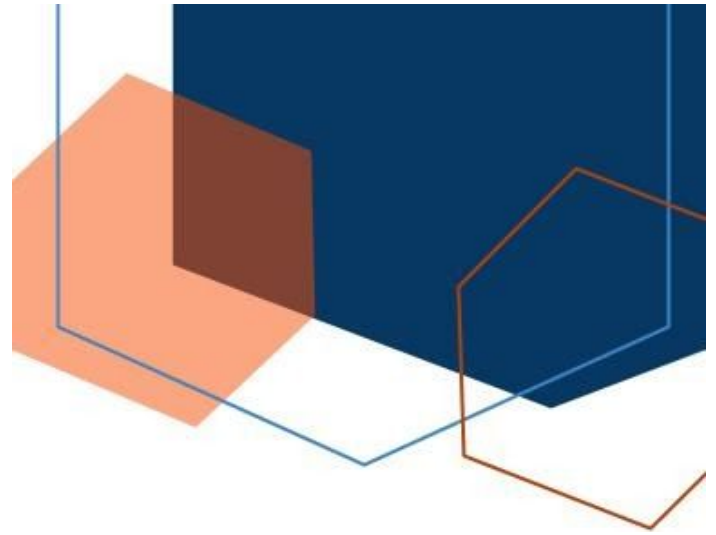
Therefore, due to these recommendations, a **Chromebook** or **laptop** is the ideal digital tool.

*\*at this point in time, cell phone screen sizes are below this measurement*

As always, students will use devices responsibly, and **only with the permission and direction of the teacher** or other staff member, according to school policy.

For Gr. 4-12, a device brought for learning should meet the following requirements:

- Internet ready
  - Preferably a Chrome browser
- External Keyboard
- 6 hour battery life
- 802.11ac WiFi Support
- G Suite for Education friendly. Can access:
  - Drive
  - Docs
  - Slides
  - Classroom, etc.



## So What Does This Mean?

Prior to these refinements, cell phones were an appropriate device for learning for students in Gr. 4-12. Because this was division policy, cell phones could not be banned. However, with the revised wording, cell phone regulation can occur.

If schools would like to create their own cell phone policy, they may do so. However, it is recommended to include guidelines for when cell phones can be used to support students in their learning.

As well, the division did not recommend a specific

device. This has now changed identifying that the Chromebook is the most appropriate tool for Gr. 4-8. For Gr. 9-12 a laptop or Chromebook is ideal.

The refinement also includes an updated version of the "One-to-One User Agreement".

### School Based Devices

**If a student does not bring their own device for learning, and it is mandatory that technology be used for an assignment or lesson, it is the school's responsibility to supply the device.**

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's school.  
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