

TSD Home Access to Technology

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In order to support TSD student access to learning opportunities during the district closure, we are offering chromebooks for check out to K-12 students and iPads for Pre-K students from any TSD school and their families who need them because they have no other computer options at home. This is optional; students are not required to check out a device. If you would like to request a device, please **fill out the form online** found at: <https://forms.gle/fKmfGby3KnyhSVmx8>. This form should be filled out **before coming to the checkout station** which is located **at Mary Blair Elementary School at 860 E 29th St, Loveland, CO from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm Tuesdays only, until further notice**. No appointment is necessary.

Only Parents/Guardians may check out a device for their student. Only one device per household is allowed for K-12 students. Please do not come to the checkout station if anyone in your family is exhibiting symptoms of illness. To qualify, the student must:

- be currently registered at a TSD school (charter schools are responsible for outfitting their own students so they do not qualify for this program),
- have access to an internet connection outside of TSD, and
- have no adequate access to computers at home to access learning resources

Check Out Procedure:

1. If you have not filled out the request [form](#), please do so. Otherwise, you will be asked for your cell phone number so that the form link can be texted to you to fill out.
2. Stay in your car until the parking lot attendant clears you to approach the building. If a line is needed, line up at the front door intercom, at least 6 feet between families. You may leave your students waiting in the vehicle.
3. Do not enter the building, a technician will talk with you through the intercom and make sure they have the information needed to check out a device to your student. You do not have to touch the intercom. A technician will see you and talk to you through it.
4. The technician will ask you to stay clear of the front door at a distance of at least 6 ft. Then the technician will open the door and place a sanitized device on a table outside and wipe down the intercom if needed.
5. Once the technician re-enters the building, you may approach and take the device. You can keep it as long as the closure continues.

If you have problems accessing the internet, there are four alternatives:

1. Comcast has offered two months of free internet to families who qualify at <https://www.internetessentials.com/covid19>. CenturyLink has a similar offer at https://centurylink.net/news/read/category/news/article/variety-charter_offers_free_broadband_to_all_households_wi-rpenskemc
2. You can also try using a free Xfinity Hotspot near you. See [here](#) for the directions on how to find one.
3. You can park your car in the Loveland High School east side parking lot (920 W 29th St, Loveland), Berthoud High School parking lot (850 Spartan Ave, Berthoud), TSD Admin

Building south parking lot (800 S. Taft Ave. Loveland), or Big Thompson Elementary School parking lot (7702 US-34, Loveland). We have extended WiFi into the parking lots so you can use it without leaving your vehicle. Use the "TSD" for district devices or "GUEST" Wifi for all other devices. Your student's Google account will work on the TSD WiFi on a TSD device. There is no password required for the GUEST WiFi.

4. Use a cell phone as a hotspot. See directions [here](#). Many cell phone providers are offering free data plans and hotspots for students. See [here](#) for more information.

The ITS Help Desk is open to all families and staff for technical support. If you need assistance, call 970-613-7777 M-F from 8:00-5:00 pm.