# LaGrange School District 105

Device Take-Home Survey Results 6/28/2021

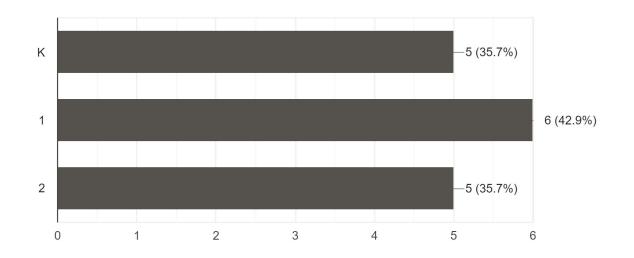


## **Gathering Feedback**

- In order to bring more information back to the board regarding primary students taking their device home each day we gathered feedback from our primary staff and incoming K-2 families via a survey about our 1:1 program.
  - Staff
    - 14 respondents
  - Parents/Guardians (in English and Spanish)
    - 127 respondents

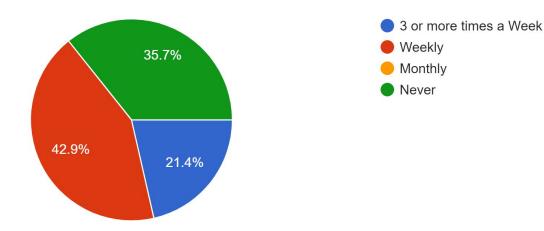


What grade level do you teach? (Please use your classroom assignment in 2020-21 to answer this question.)





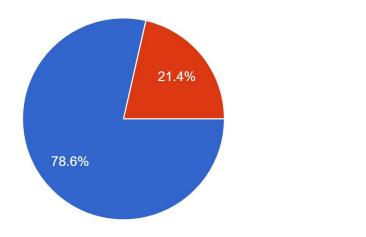
How often do you give schoolwork (homework or skill practice) to students that requires the use of a computer at home?





Do you have any concerns about your students having access to a reliable computer to use at home?

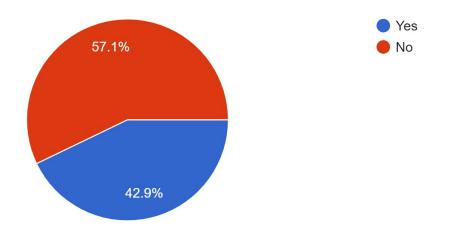
14 responses





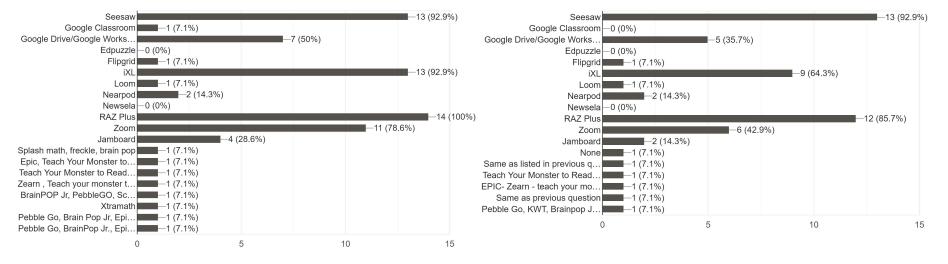
Yes No

Do you have any concerns about your students having access to a reliable internet connection at home?





What (if any) applications did you have your students use at home this year (2020-21)? 14 responses

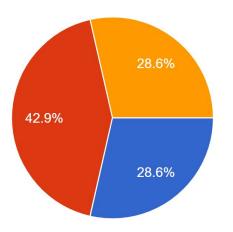


14 responses

What (if any) applications do you anticipate having your students use at home next year (2021-22)?



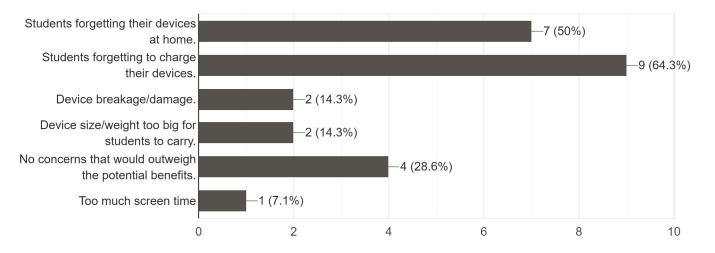
What is your opinion regarding students, in the grade level you teach, bringing their district issued Chromebook home every day in a 1:1 take-home model?



- Bring the device home everyday.
- Bring the device home only as needed for assignments/schoolwork.
- Bring the device home only as needed for an anticipated weather related closure.
- Do not bring the device home under any circumstance.

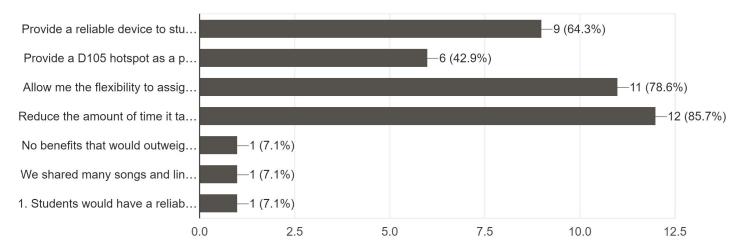


What concerns, if any, do you have regarding students taking the devices home in a 1:1? (Please think about your classroom from this year in particular as you answer these questions) <sup>14</sup> responses





What benefits, if any, do you see regarding students taking the devices home in a 1:1? (Please think about your classroom from this year in particular as you answer these questions) <sup>14</sup> responses

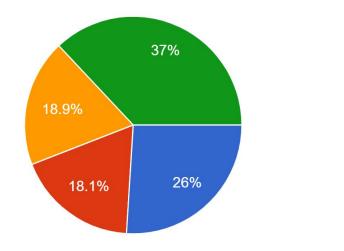




- Is there any additional feedback related to the D105 Chromebook 1:1 take-home model for grades K-2 you would like to add?
  - I think moving forward we will assign at home tasks or practice that require internet or chromebook. We couldn't before because our students didn't have devices or internet. This may make reading at home more engaging if they can record themselves on seesaw.
  - We prefer to continue to use iPads for kdg
  - I really hope our students will be able to take their IPads home again this year. This class was so much more technologically advanced because of their access.
  - Whereas in this unusual year, the 1:1 model was crucial, I do have a concern for our primary kids and the overuse of screen time. Having taught 2nd grade for the bulk of my career, I have seen a tremendous decrease in fine motor skills and ability to attend to in person instruction in the general 2nd grade population in the past 5 years. As teachers, we need to keep up with the times and use technology, but it should not replace paper/pencil, creating projects in a non-digital way, etc. I attended an outstanding conference a couple of years ago on the increased sensory needs in young children in this digital age. I would not, however, want to deprive our less affluent populations in D105 of having a chromebook and hotspot on a regular basis, so it's a tricky situation. For me, I would prefer to give my students paper/pencil activities for homework, but if most teachers would like 1:1 chromebooks going home, I would be fine with that. Thank you for getting our input!
  - This year I really didn't give homework because of Covid, so I wasn't sure how to answer the first question. During Hybrid, they used them a lot at home. After many months of at home use, I didn't have them use them at home once we were all in person. However, this might change if we are back in person all day in the fall. Will students continue to be zooming in from home on their sick or quarantine days? If so, I think bringing home devices daily is a must because they need to have a device they know how to use ready. I hope the students continue to bring them back and forth to school daily. Thank you for asking for feedback!



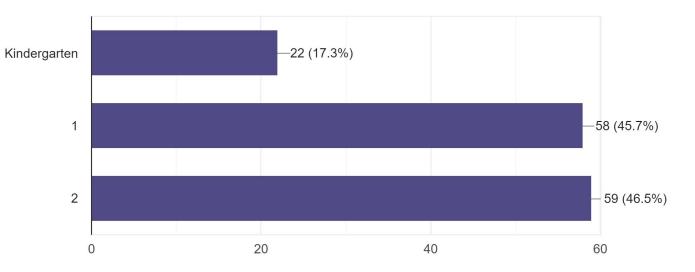
What school will your primary (K-2) student(s) attend during the 2021-22 school year? 127 responses





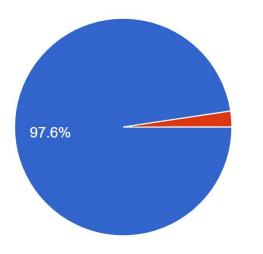


What grade(s) will your primary (K-2) student(s) be entering in the Fall 2021-22? 127 responses





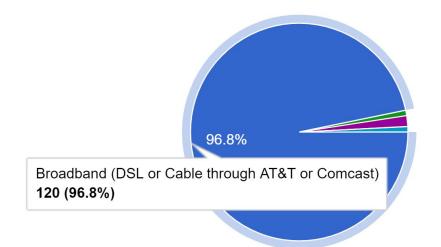
Is there access to reliable internet at home? 127 responses







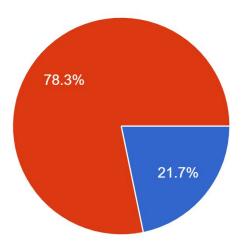
What type of Internet Access do you have? 124 responses



Broadband (DSL or Cable through AT&T or Comcast)
Personal Hotspot (mobile phone or personal hotspot)
D105 issued Hotspot
Unknown
Xfinity
xfinity



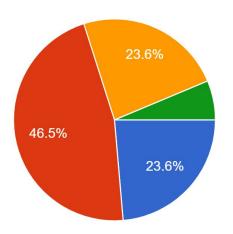
Is it a dedicated device or do they have to share it with other family members? <sup>69</sup> responses



- It is a dedicated device. (Only the student uses this device.)
- It is a shared device. (Multiple family members using this device.)



What is your opinion regarding your K-2 student bringing their district issued Chromebook home every day in a 1:1 take-home model?



- Bring the device home everyday.
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- Is there any additional feedback related to the D105 Chromebook 1:1 take-home model for grades K-2 you would like to add?
  - The total weight of items being asked to bring home should be considered. The weight of my 5th graders bag made it impossible to ever walk to school this year. Hopefully they won't have to carry all those heavy books next year.
  - We do not feel children this young should be bringing chromebooks home all the time, or doing a lot of school related activities on them. Paper/pencil is much preferred.
  - Will after school program assist in having children put the device somewhere safe if students participate in program? Belongings in the past were thrown about the floor.
  - I feel it's important to teach these little ones responsibility when using technology at an early age. My daughter understood the expectations set in place by Mrs. Hill and the district from day one. I think this helped to foster a respect and appreciation for the device itself. I say bring it home daily or on teacher recommended days.
  - I believe there are multiple opportunities for the children to learn from having dedicated devices sent home daily or at minimum a few days a week.
  - Younger kids should be focusing on pencil and paper. There's been so much added screen time. Teachers should be sending home worksheets or doing them in the classroom. Use the Chromebooks when it's the only option.
  - We really limit screen time in our home (TV only, no tablets or phones) and would prefer if our first grader did not bring home a chromebook.
  - Bring home as needed for weather or work
  - I would like to have an option to access a chromebook over the summer.
  - Please consider letting these kids BE KIDS and help us avoid the tech trap as long as we can. (Snow days are a good thing, too!)
  - $\circ$  ~ I would rather her be on the chromebook than on TV ~
  - Everyday if needed to access apps



## **Take-Home Recommendations**

- K-2nd Grades
  - Based on stakeholder feedback our recommendation for 2021-22: K-2 students bring their 1:1 devices home as needed for schoolwork.
    - 46.5% of families
    - 42.9% of K-2 staff
- 3rd & 4th Grades
  - Extend the recommendation up to 3rd and 4th grade bring devices home as needed for schoolwork.
- 5th-8th Grades
  - Recommendation to add 5th grade to the current 6-8th grade 1:1 take-home model (daily).



#### Questions

• Any Questions?

