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5414 50 St. Lacombe AB T4L 1G4 Telephone: (403) 782-7410 Fax: (403) 782-7400 E-mail: lue@wolfcreek.ab.ca Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

RE: Chromebook Parent Purchase Plan

Welcome to the incoming grade four and new families to École Lacombe Upper Elementary School. Our school is proud of the many ways that our staff and students utilize technology in order to enhance teaching and learning in our school. Everyday our school utilizes technology to:

- allow students to show their learning in a wide variety of ways.
- connect students with each other within their classroom, within the division, within the
 province and around the world.
- connect students and teachers with experts in various fields such as authors, astronauts, scientists,
- support students with a wide variety of learning styles and needs,
- and more!

We are proud to have been promoting this kind of learning environment for our students for many years. To continue to provide a learning environment that is 21st Century we are requiring that all students come to school with a device to support their learning. This device can be a personal laptop or a Chromebook. To support this learning environment there are a few options:

Option 1: Your child can bring his/her own device to school that you have purchased or have previously purchased.

Option 2: Your child can participate in the Wolf Creek Parent Purchase Program and order a new device for their use. Details on the parent purchase program are attached.

Option 3: You can contact the school for more information or to apply for financial support if needed.

It is our goal to have all grade four students using their devices within the first few weeks of school so we would like your child to have a device ready to go for the start of school.

It has been our experience that the Chromebooks, when taken care of, are lasting for approximately 5 years. To help support their care we suggest the students use the secure storage and charging stations provided to them in their classrooms. It is our recommendation that the students leave their device at school during the school year because transporting it back and forth each night will create significant wear and tear on the device. The students will be able to use their device at the Jr. High when they go there as well, so taking good care of it is very important.

Below is some information on the Wolf Creek Parent Purchase plan and some frequently asked questions. Please feel free to contact the principal, Sonja Dykslag, at 403-782-7410 if you need more information or require financial support to secure a device for your child. Thank you for your support, we hope you see this is a worthy investment into your child's education and understand that it is our goal to provide your child with a top notch educational experience that utilizes the technologies available in today's world.

Sincerely,



Sonja Dykslag Principal, B.Ed., M.Ed.

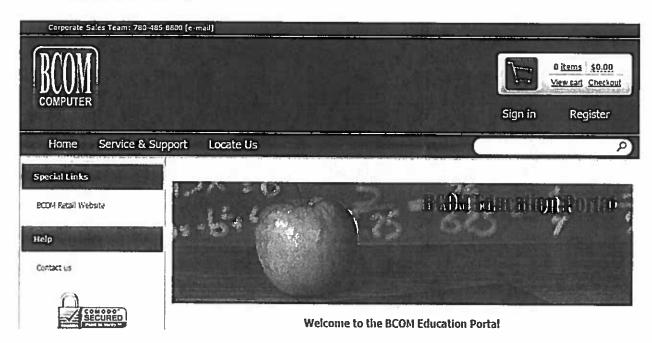
Information on the New Online Purchase Process

For the 2016-2017 school year, Wolf Creek Public Schools is excited to be working with BCom Computer, as the reseller of Acer Chromebooks, to continue offering the Chromebook Parent Purchase Program for our Wolf Creek families through an online Parent Purchase Program website.

In partnership with Wolf Creek, BCom Computer has built a Wolf Creek Public Schools online store specifically for our families which provides the ability to purchase a selection of Chromebooks, accessories and warranty options which have been chosen because they fit in well with our Wolf Creek context.

Families wishing to purchase a Chromebook through this program will need to visit www.b-com.ca/wolfcreek/home.php in order to create a parent shopping and payment profile.

A link to access the Parent Purchase Program website can be found on your local school's website under the **Quick Links** section.



Attached please find step by step instructions for how to use the Parent Purchase Program if you choose to select that option.

Do I HAVE to Purchase a Chromebook through the Parent Purchase Website? Absolutely not!

Wolf Creek Public Schools is a bring your own device environment and welcomes any device that a student may have that is able to support their learning appropriately by leveraging web based tools such as Google Apps for Education.

Our students' families have long asked us for our recommendations around devices that are relatively low cost but high impact in terms of supporting learning. This is how the Parent Purchase Program was born!

Our classroom teachers utilize Google Apps for Education in Wolf Creek and the Chromebook is a natural platform to be able to take advantage of the power of these collaborative tools. We have completed test and research with various Chromebook devices over the years and have selected devices that have good battery life, are generally robust enough to stand up to day to day classroom use, and have proven themselves as reliable over our considerable time using them in Wolf Creek.

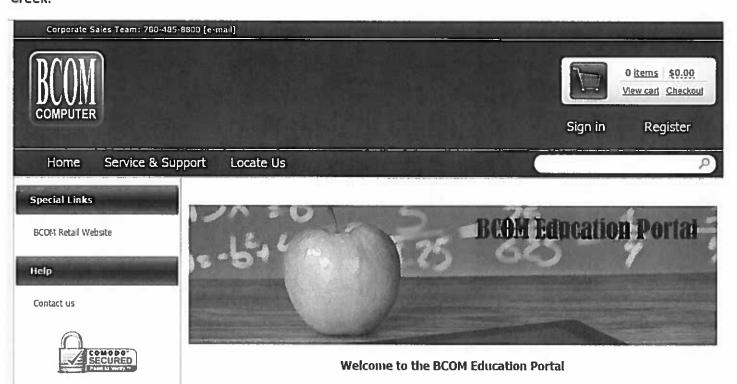
We certainly welcome and support our families' choices to purchase a device to enhance their child's learning through our Parent Purchase Program or through any retailer of their choice. The Parent Purchase Program was designed as a service to our families so that there was one less decision for parents to make around "what device should we buy" and/or "where should we buy or device from"?

Wolf Creek Public Schools Creating Success For All Learners Chromebook Parent Purchase Program

Wolf Creek Public Schools is pleased to be working with BCom Computer to provide an option for our families to purchase a Chromebook that can be used to support their students' learning in Wolf Creek.

In partnership with Wolf Creek Public Schools, BCom Computer has built a section of their online store specifically for Wolf Creek parents and students. This website can be accessed by navigating to the following address:

www.b-com.ca/wolfcreek/



Please register with your school access code or sign-in to access the Educational product list.

Instructions

1. The first time you visit the Wolf Creek

Parent Purchase Portal you will need to create a profile by clicking on the **REGISTER NOW** button.

REGISTER NOW

Clicking on the REGISTER NOW button will bring up a page where you will be asked to enter a school access code and some user information such as an email address and password.

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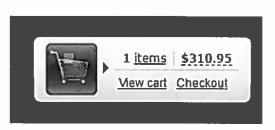
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We ask that our Wolf Creek families keep this access code confidential as it pertains specifically to a program designed for Wolf Creek students. As per our agreement with BCom we are not able to extend the Parent Purchase Program to families who are not members of the Wolf Creek Public Schools community.

School Access Code * Success4all!

 Once you have successfully created an account on the Parent Purchase website, you will get access to a made for Wolf Creek selection of Chromebooks, accessories, and warranty options.

If you have any questions about the devices, warranty options, or need any other information about the Parent Purchase Program please do not hesitate to touch base with an administrator at your student's school.



5. Once you have completed adding items to your virtual "shopping cart" and you choose to checkout, you will be asked to enter some personal information which is important for warranty, delivery, and set up of each Chromebook.

Each Chromebook ordered will be delivered to Wolf Creek Public Schools division office for final set up and delivery.



Provide Student Name, Teacher, *	Cindy Lou Who - Mrs. Esteves - Iron Ridge Elementary	
& School for each Chromebook	Johan Bach Who - Mr. Lougheed - Lacombe Composite High School	

IMPORTANT:

For each Chromebook purchased, please make sure you include the Student name, Teacher Name, and School information for each device separately so that we can ensure delivery of each Chromebook to the correct student.

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Delivery method

Pre-arranged delivery to WCPS Central Office. WCPS Technical Services will handle initial set-up then distribute Chromebooks to students. For labelling purposes, we collect student information during the checkout process.

Payment method

- Credit Card
- BCOM Spread Payment Plan

Visa or Mastercard Only.

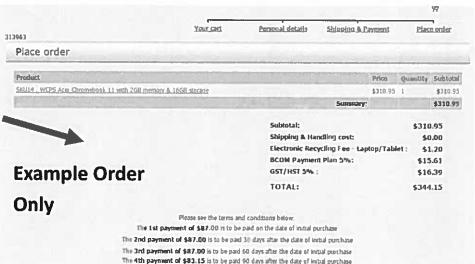
Visa or Mastercard Only. A payment processing fee applies which is equal to 5% of the order total. Divides the total into four payments, with the first payment processed at time of order, second payment in 30 days, third payment in 60 days, and final payment in 90 days.

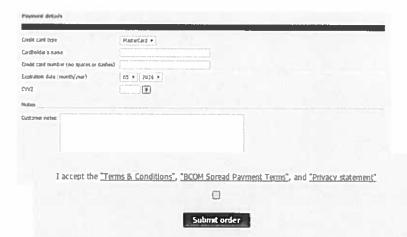


6. The next screen / step in the process will provide you with some specific information about shipping and also the available payment options for the Parent Purchase Program.

BCom Computers offers the choice to:

- pay the total cost of the order all at once or;
- a payment plan where the total cost of the device and any optional accessories and warranty can be paid over the course of 4 payments.





7. Once you have entered your credit card information for payment, you will need to check off "I accept the Terms and Conditions ..." button and press the **Submit Order** button at the very bottom of the page.

You will receive an emailed receipt at the address you provided when making your account.

Wolf Creek Public Schools will work with BCom Computer to ensure that turn around and delivery times are reasonable and meet our expectations. Your student's device will be delivered by Wolf Creek Tech Services Staff to your son / daughter's school.