



Discover a World of Opportunity™

2016 MILL LEVY STUDENT TECHNOLOGY

How does this investment support the district's strategic plan, the Denver Plan 2020?

Technology is a powerful tool for realizing all the goals in the Denver Plan 2020. This includes preparing our students to be **Ready for College & Career** in an increasingly global economy as well as **Closing the Opportunity Gap** by providing better access to digital tools.



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How will this investment help our kids?

This funding will help ensure students have access to tools to prepare them for college and career in the 21st century. Kids will see newer devices – tablets, laptops and computers -- and their teachers will have better technology support as the number of these devices grows across Denver Public Schools.

Is the need for help greater among students living in poverty?

Students in low-income homes are less likely to have devices and internet connections. For example, a survey of Denver Housing Authority residents shows only 36% of low-income housing units in Denver have broadband internet subscriptions. It is more important than ever that they have access to technology during the school day to learn and practice the digital skills necessary to succeed in college, career and life.

What will this funding look like in the classroom for our kids and schools?

This investment will provide all schools with additional money to purchase technology devices

and improve technology support for students. Schools will receive between \$16.50 and \$66 per student that can be used for the purchase of computers, projectors and other classroom technology; increasing support in schools for technology use, software and repairs; and training teachers to use technology.

How are we targeting support to our kids and schools most likely to struggle?

Schools will receive more money for students who qualify for the federal free- and reduced-price lunch program, an indicator of poverty. However, all our schools serve a mix of students. Schools serving higher numbers of students in poverty will receive more money. For example, a school with 40% of students in poverty will average \$36 per student. And a school with 80% of students in poverty will average \$56 per student.