During Distance or Hybrid Learning due to COVID-19, technology and internet access are important for accessing schoolwork and resources at Cloquet Public Schools. The district is offering to install Mediacom high-speed internet in the homes of some students, provided Mediacom offers service in their neighborhood, in order to participate in online learning. Mediacom is able to provide an education focused internet connection for use in the completion of schoolwork online. After the school year is completed students and their families agree to return the Mediacom equipment to Mediacom in working order, or take over the monthly payments to continue internet service.

Mediacom Internet is available to families:
- with at least one student enrolled in Cloquet Public Schools.
- with no household Internet access for use in learning online.
- that live in Mediacom’s service area.

Parents/guardians must sign and agree to this usage policy prior to Mediacom installation in their home.
Please review these points with your child before signing. This permission form is valid for your student from the date signed going forward. If you wish remote Mediacom from your home prior to the end of the school year, please contact the Mediacom directly to make arrangements.

Hotspot Usage
1. All usage of the provided internet is for educational use only. Students must continue to abide by the district’s Acceptable Use Policy (www.isd94.org > Parents > Educational Technology Resources > Cloquet Learning Together 1:1 Device Student Parent Handbook) when using the hotspot at home.
2. Only school issued devices should connect to the Mediacom WiFi.
3. The Mediacom Internet connection is NOT filtered. It is ultimately the parent’s responsibility to ensure students are using the internet connection appropriately. Cloquet Public Schools assumes no liability in the event that students intentionally or inadvertently access inappropriate materials or engage in inappropriate or illegal online behavior.
4. Mediacom may have a monthly bandwidth limit. After students have reached their monthly bandwidth limit the district has no ability to increase the amount of bandwidth available. Students acknowledge that personal use of the internet connection can use all available bandwidth and negatively impact their ability to participate in learning online.
5. The district is not responsible for financial charges incurred by the student when using Internet based applications.
6. Any violations of the Acceptable Use Policy or this agreement can result in disciplinary action up-to and including loss of Mediacom internet.
7. Families agree to allow Mediacom to modify their home in order to install Mediacom internet in their home. Families who rent their home have the permission of their landlord to allow the installation of the Mediacom equipment. Cloquet Public schools assumes no liability in the event that their home is damaged in any way from installing Mediacom internet in their home.
Financial Responsibility
The student’s family will become financially responsible for Mediacom’s equipment in certain situations.

1. Areas of financial responsibility covered by the student’s family:
   - Preventable damage from liquid, excessive heat, careless handling, or other foreseeable environmental threats.
   - Theft or loss resulting from inadequate security precautions - i.e. leaving the device in plain sight inside a parked car.
   - Failure to return equipment after the school year ends.

2. Areas of financial responsibility covered by the district:
   - Hardware problems that may occur during normal operation.

3. Parties responsible for paying monthly fee for the internet service:
   - During the regularly scheduled school year, Cloquet Public Schools agrees to pay the monthly fee for Mediacom Internet in the student’s home.
     i. Exceptions for targeted services during the summer months will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
   - After the school year has ended, families agree to one of the following:
     i. Return the provided equipment to Mediacom in working order, or
     ii. Take over paying the monthly internet fee to continue service at their own expense.

Mediacom should be notified immediately in the event of any damage or theft

The Mediacom equipment remains the property of the Mediacom. At the end of the school year, or upon transfer from the district, parents & students agree to return the equipment to Mediacom in the same condition it was issued to the student, less reasonable wear, unless families will take over the Mediacom contract at their own expense.

Service Address: Please provide the address in which Mediacom will be installed:

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Address

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City     State     Zip     Phone Number

SIGNATURES: Please sign below to acknowledge that you agree to the terms and conditions of receiving Mediacom Internet.

PARENT/GUARDIAN: ____________________________________________ DATE: _________________

STUDENT: ____________________________________________ DATE: _________________

*Please note: This agreement must be signed & returned to the school before the device is issued to a student.