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### **OIG Finds MCPS Chromebook Inventory Practices Lacking**

Rockville, Maryland – Montgomery County Maryland Inspector General Megan Davey Limarzi announced today the release of a new Office of the Inspector General (OIG) report, [MCPS Chromebook Inventory Management](#), OIG Publication #25-13, detailing the results of an OIG review of Montgomery County Public Schools' (MCPS) inventory management practices for Chromebook laptop computers. The review was initiated in furtherance of the OIG's mission to promote efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability in county programs and operations.

In fiscal year 2024, MCPS spent approximately \$19,533,252 on new Chromebooks bringing their total inventory to over 200,000 units. and today there are more than 200,000 Chromebooks in MCPS's inventory. Chromebooks are primarily used by students and are either directly assigned to an individual or used in classroom settings. Through this review, the OIG found that MCPS could not account for all devices and inventory records related to Chromebooks were often inaccurate. Further, through testing done at 9 schools, the OIG found inconsistent inventory practices that were likely caused by the absence of formal policies and procedures governing the management of Chromebooks.

The OIG made 2 findings and 5 associated recommendations that when implemented will help to strengthen inventory practices and prevent waste.

[Read the full report](#)

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