Google Chromebook Revisited

A New Way of Low Cost, Low Maintenance Computing

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History of Chrome OS

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Advantages of Chromebook

All your work is done in Chrome, a fast, modern browser

Send mail

Create documents

Edit photos

All your work is saved securely on the web

Google includes 100 GB storage (2 years)

Surf the web anytime

Chromebooks come with wired and wireless connectivity

Some Chromebooks (i.e. Samsung) have optional 4G capability

Chromebooks start up fast (5 to 15 seconds, depending on hard drive, whether solid state or spinning)

Easy Maintenance

Chromebook will update itself, usually about every two to four weeks

Built-in security in Chrome so no additional software required

Chrome comes with built-in .PDF viewer and Adobe Flash player

Google Stuff

GMail YouTube Google Docs (docs, spreadsheet, presentation) Google Play (books, music, movies, apps) Google Calendar Google Reader Google Maps PicMonkey (for photo editing ala Picasa)

Good Hardware (Acer)

11.6" display, Intel processor
HDMI out
16 GB Solid State drive
2 GB RAM, can be upped to 4 GB
WiFi, Ethernet, 3 USB ports, SD card slot
HD camera, use with Google "hangouts"
\$199 with one year warranty

Printing from Chromebook

Requires connecting to Google Print Services

Printer already connected to PC or Mac

Cloud-based printer (i.e. wireless printer) which requires no computer

Chrome Store

Lots of apps Many cool extensions