

Web-based Content using Adobe Flash Plug-in not working in the Chrome Browser

In August 2017, Adobe announced that the Flash Plug-in, used to provide content in web browsers for over 20 years, is being phased out completely. The developers of the major web browsers have been working to remove Flash support over the last 2 years and we're already seeing certain websites that are no longer functioning correctly. Expect that all major web browsers will eliminate Flash Support within the next year.

Google has released its FINAL temporary fix to allow web based content to use the Flash plug-in. Google has confirmed that this will be the last fix. By July 2018, the Flash Player Plug-in in Google Chrome will no longer work AT ALL. This includes the Chromebook Kiosk apps. Once Google removes Flash from the Chrome browser, there will be nothing that can be done to restore it.

Microsoft, Apple and Mozilla are expected to follow suit within the next year.

The Office of Information Technology began warning the District's key vendors and partners nearly two years ago, applying pressure to replace Flash in their products. If you use any other web-based resources that still rely on Flash, please let those providers know that if they do not move to HTML5 by June 2018, you will not be able to use their products anymore.

After July 2018, the Office of Information Technology will not be able to provide support for any software, services or issues related to Flash-based web content.

