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Dear High School Parents, Guardians and Students:

It is with great excitement that we share a technology update with you. High School students will be issued a laptop computer for the 2018-19 school year. This equipment will allow students and teachers the opportunity to infuse technology throughout the learning process as well as to prepare students with 21st Century Skills for the future.

Last year, the district began to roll out its one-to-one technology initiative. High school classrooms received class sets of laptops for student use. Next year, high school students will be issued a laptop. Our middle school classrooms will have class sets for the 2018-19 school year and then students will be issued a laptop the following year. Elementary students will see an infusion of technology over the next three years as well. The district began using the FREE Google for Education platform so that students would have access to their documents at any time, on any device, and at any location.

The district will hold a one-hour mandatory orientation Thursday, August 16th in the high school auditorium for students and their legal parent/guardian to discuss the important components associated with the distribution of the laptops. Students with last names A-G will report at 8:30 am, H-M at 10:00 am, N-S at 12:30 pm, and T-Z at 2:00 pm. Parents will also have the opportunity to purchase a "one-time" use insurance fee for \$30 to cover the replacement of the laptop for accidental damage or loss. It is highly recommended that parents purchase this insurance.

In closing, we wanted to inform you of the exciting news in advance so that you could prepare accordingly.

Sincerely yours in education,

Mr. Randy L. Miller