



East Grand Rapids Public Schools

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Dear East Grand Rapids High School Families,

We are excited for the Engage 1:1 initiative beginning in the fall of 2012 at East Grand Rapids High School. After three years of piloting 1:1 learning in our district, our staff has experienced many new ways to engage students and positively impact learning. Given the success of our pilots, the decision was made to expand Engage 1:1 and we are encouraging all high school students to bring a laptop, tablet, or netbook to school starting in the fall of 2012. This initiative is voluntary and encouraged.

At the end of July, you will receive an email reminder with specific information about connecting student devices to our district network and preparing students to bring their devices to school. The email will contain information to help students prepare their devices prior to completing a final check while attending the high school registration period in August. Our technical staff will be at registration to assist, with the goal of ensuring a smooth transition on the opening day of school.

Upcoming dates:

July 31, 2012	Email reminder to families with information on preparing a device for school
Aug 22-23, 2012	Students bring devices to high school registration for a final check
First Day of School	Students start the first day of school with their devices

For more information about Engage 1:1, please visit our website at www.egrps.org/engage. There you will find information about the background of our initiative, a Frequently Asked Question section, and a form where you can ask any additional questions you may have.

We believe that a 1:1 environment can positively impact student learning and accomplish our mission of *educating and inspiring each student to navigate successfully in a global community.*

Sincerely,

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