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Dear Parents or Guardians:

We welcome your student to Fremd High School. All Fremd High School students are assigned an iPad as they enter high school as part of our One-to-One Program. Your student is receiving the iPad early due to participation in a summer school program. Please take time to review the school's technology guidelines, on the school website under Academics > Technology, so that your student's summer experience leads to a smooth transition into freshman year.

The school-assigned iPad is an academic learning tool and is configured to support this learning goal. There is a set of predetermined apps needed to fulfill classroom activities and assignments provided in a Self-Service catalog. Additional course-specific apps will be made available through Self-Service as requested by classroom teachers. The Apple App Store is not available and, therefore, students are not able to download apps independently.

You may be familiar with Illinois' graduated driver license program that imposes controls on new drivers and gradually loosens those controls over time. This approach has helped teenage drivers develop safe habits on the road. Our school has implemented a similar approach regarding the school-assigned iPad.

In order to reduce distractions from learning, games, social media, and other tempting online distractions have been removed from the 9th grade iPad. Our goal is to prepare students for more independent use of a web-connected device. On-going support and guidance to students will be provided as they mature and learn more about best practices in an online world. More information about specific supports will be shared with you as the school year begins in August.

The District 211 One to One Program includes a required grade-level series of Digital Citizenship courses. All 9th grade students are required to complete this self-paced curriculum prior to the conclusion of the school year. More information about this curriculum will be provided to your student after the school year begins.

We encourage you to purchase the optional iPad Protection Plan for your student's iPad. Information about the protection plan and the One-to-One Program is enclosed and full details are available on our website. Payment can be made online through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal or directly to the school cashier.

If you have questions concerning our One-to-One program, please contact our school's Technology Department Chair, Keith Sorensen, via email at [ksorensen@d211.org](mailto:ksorensen@d211.org) or telephone at 847-755-2760.

We look forward to a successful four-year high school experience.

Sincerely,

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