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Dear Families,

8/20/2024

I hope you have had a wonderful summer. With your continued support, several major projects were initiated this summer. A new lockdown system was implemented districtwide, the middle/high school got a new public address system and we launched a new [District website](#). We greatly appreciate your ongoing commitment to improving the technology in our schools. Please find several updates below to help ensure a smooth start to the school year. As always, don't hesitate to reach out to me.

eSchoolData Parent Portal

As a reminder, the parent portal has a new link:

<https://parentportal-lhric.eschooldata.com/BlindBrookRye>

Your existing username and password will still work at the new address.

At 3pm on August 23rd, 2024, the portals for all three schools will be updated with scheduling information for the upcoming school year.

When you log in, you will be prompted to update your contact information. Please update guardian and emergency contact information. Without updated information, there may be challenges in communicating with you in times of need. Additionally, the annual NYSED Digital Equity Survey link will be available for completion. Once these items are complete, you will have access to student records.

District-Issued Student Devices:

All students receive an iPad, keyboard case, Apple pencil, charging brick, and cable. The devices stay in school for grades K-4 and students in 5-12 will bring them home. Devices are the responsibility of students and need to be cared for properly. The [Student Device Agreement](#) outlines acceptable device use and care.. Please sign on the agreement by September 13th, 2024.

Students and guardians should keep a personal record of the device serial number, case serial number and pencil serial number. This will help in locating a missing device as well as investigating theft. [Click here](#) to learn how to access this information.

Student Acceptable Use Policy Signature:

Please sign the [Acceptable Use Policy](#) along with your child by September 13th, 2024.

Student Personal Device Restriction:



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In June, the department informed families that incoming 9th grade students cannot use their personal computing devices (such as laptops and iPads) in school. Students will only be permitted to use their District-issued iPad. This continues the practices that were in place for this cohort of students when they were in 8th grade.

At this time, student personal computing device usage in grades 10 through 12 will remain at the teacher's discretion. Please note that this does not impact any school policy or guidelines on phones or smart watches.

Technology Resources For Students and Families:

Check out the [technology resources site](#) to learn more about software and student devices.

FERPA and Directory Information Annual Notification:

To learn about your right to inspect and review your student's educational records, please review [BOE Policy 7240 Students Records](#) and [BOE Policy 7241 Student Directory Information](#).