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To: Parents of Students in Grades 2, 3, and 4

Re: Important Information Regarding Student Planners for 2025-2026 School Year (Grades 3-5)

We are writing to inform you of an important change regarding student planners for the 2025-2026 school year. Beginning next year, the school district will no longer be providing paper student planners for students in grades 3, 4, and 5.*

This decision is based on two primary factors:

- Increased Reliance on Electronic Communication and Schoology: Our district has made significant strides in utilizing electronic communication tools, including Schoology, to keep students and parents informed about assignments, deadlines, and school activities. These platforms offer a structured and accessible way for students to organize their academic responsibilities, reducing the need for traditional paper planners.
- **Fiscal Responsibility:** As part of our ongoing efforts to manage district resources effectively, we are seeking ways to minimize expenditures. Eliminating the distribution of student planners will contribute to these cost-saving measures.

We understand that some students and families find paper planners to be a valuable organizational tool. Therefore, we are providing this information well in advance so that you have the opportunity to purchase a student planner for your child if you feel it would be beneficial for them in the 2025-2026 school year.

We encourage all students to continue developing strong organizational skills, and our teachers will continue to support them in this area through the use of Schoology and other effective strategies.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we implement this change.

Sincerely,

Kelly Rosario
Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning

*Please be assured that students with documented Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) or 504 plans requiring planners and written homework accommodations will continue to receive a student planner as needed. Teachers will continue to post all assignments both in the classroom and on Schoology.