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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are excited to inform you about the 1:1 Chromebook Initiative for West Islip middle school students this year! It marks the beginning of an era where students will have immediate access to information via their own computers. We hope this initiative will bring the 21st Century to the forefront as well as engage your children in additional critical thinking, collaboration and communication activities.

At the end of October/early November, we will be distributing a Chromebook to all 6th through 8th grade students. The Chromebook, charger and “work-in” case will be used in the classroom and at home for educational purposes. Teachers will vary in their expectations for Chromebook use, but your child will be using this tool for instruction, assignments, projects, research and assessment throughout the day.

In order for a student to receive a Chromebook, a parent or guardian must attend a one-hour orientation before the distribution of Chromebooks. Students will be provided with a similar orientation prior to and upon receiving their Chromebook.

During this orientation, you will hear information on Chromebook care and Internet safety. Additionally, you will be able to ask questions and develop an understanding on how to assist your child in managing this new responsibility. We ask that only parents/guardians attend this meeting due to limited space. Meeting dates and times are below:

**Location: Beach Street Middle School Auditorium**

*6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Monday, October 2, 2017      7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.*

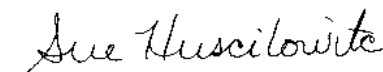
*7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Wednesday, October 4, 2017    7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.*

*8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Thursday, October 5, 2017    7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.*

At the meeting, you will receive two forms: the 1:1 Chromebook Acknowledgement form and Device Protection Plan Agreement form. *The Chromebook Procedures and Information Handbook for Students and Parents* can be found on the district website.

We look forward to working with you as we embark on this wonderful new opportunity. If you have any questions, please contact us at your convenience.

Respectfully,



Sue Huscilowite, Director of Instructional Technology

c: Bernadette M. Burns, Superintendent of Schools  
Anne M. Rullan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction  
Andrew O’Farrell, Beach Street Middle School Principal  
Daniel Marquardt, Udall Road Middle School Principal