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Dear Parent or Guardian,

In our continuing effort to use technology to advance learning opportunities for our students, the Ewing Public School District has partnered with Google Apps for Education. The district has contracted with Google to deliver free access to Google Apps which enables students to work collaboratively in a safe online environment. Students can work together virtually on documents, presentations and projects via the web and electronically submit their work. Ewing's Google account is a closed domain providing access to Ewing students and staff only. It is "cloud" based allowing for greater data storage and reducing the reliance on flash drives or other storage devices. The goal of this initiative is to facilitate student collaboration, stimulate critical thinking, and have students reflect on the opportunities and responsibilities of online interaction.

We run this program in grades 3 through 5. Students new to Ewing Public Schools, in these grade levels, will be given their Google Domain access during their computer special class. Utilizing a Ewing domain provides greater security while furthering collaborative opportunities for our students and staff. The school district has carefully considered our student's online safety and all students and teachers must comply with the district's acceptable use policy which can be viewed on the district webpage (<http://www.ewing.k12.nj.us/Page/151>).

Students will be able to log into their Ewing account from any computer, phone, or tablet with internet access. Each child will have their own username and password to access the domain and all Google Apps resources except email (school email accounts will not be enabled).

The Ewing Public School District is committed to integrating current educational technology in the classroom and beyond while preparing our students to be active citizens and productive members of our broader community. This Google Apps initiative aligns with the goals of advancing technology in classroom interactions, facilitating student collaboration, and in reinforcing appropriate online interactions.

Sincerely,

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