September 5, 2012

Parents and Guardians:

 Our Digital Conversion is underway and our 7th grade students will have their ipads deployed on Monday, September 10, 2012. We have an entire day planned to provide instruction to all students regarding the device, digital citizenship, accounts, safety, use and misuse of the device. Teachers have been preparing for months for this exciting opportunity to take our students to the next level in the classrooms.

 We have all information regarding the deployment on our website at [www.d50schools.com](http://www.d50schools.com). Look under the Beverly Manor tab and then the Technology in Society tab for information developed for parents, teachers and students. A short, five minute video on the parents tab explains the process and what parents can expect from transformed classrooms. Parents can access all of the student tabs to see what online training we are providing for our students. We highly encourage our parents to visit the site and see what we have provided for everyone involved in this pilot.

 We are including a permission slip for some important items regarding the deployment of ipads. Even though devices will not go home during the first year of this pilot, your child will not have a device issued for use at school without this signed permission slip.

 As the parent or guardian of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, I fully understand the digital conversion at Beverly Manor and I understand that my student will be issued an itunes account (apple account) at some point in the year, to best utilize the ipad at school.

* This itunes account will be fully monitored by the school and nothing without an appropriate rating will be able to be downloaded.
* I am aware that the terms that apple has set forth for the account is for the student to be 13 years of age. I understand that by signing this, I am indicating that my child, even if younger than 13, has my permission to establish this secure and school monitored account.
* I am also aware that my child will not be able to purchase anything from this itunes account unless a parent has provided them with a credit card number or they have an itunes gift card.
* The school district has disabled in-app purchases, so nothing will pop up to recommend further purchases.
* If I have more questions regarding the itunes account for my child, I will go to the apple.com site and find more information under support.

 Your child will also be issued a school specific gmail account. This highly monitored email is established so your child can communicate with teachers, other students and any district approved web addresses. Again, this communication is monitored and subject to school discipline.

 Additionally, I fully understand that my child may be videotaped as part of school projects and these videos may be posted privately on YouTube and only the teacher or student who has been given the link and password will have access. Videos of my child may be used in the classroom as a part of the digital conversion at Beverly Manor.

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 Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

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 Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

 Please do not hesitate to contact me at 745-3921 or aludlum@d50schools.com with any questions or concerns. Thanks in advance for your continued support.

Angela Ludlum

Principal

Beverly Manor