



Dear 7th–12th Grade Parents:

In order to continue our commitment to integrate technology into our educational experience, we've assembled a collection of technology resources for our students. They include the following:

- Moodle Learning Management System (lms.academyatthelakes.org)
- RenWeb – This is our school management system that includes student and parent access to grades, assignments, attendance and service hours.
- Office365 – All students receive an email @wiredwildcats.org. This service is based on Microsoft Outlook and provides email, saved contacts, calendars appointments and reminders. This can be added to student's cell phones for instant access and teachers will use these email addresses to communicate with students.
- Microsoft Office – Your Office365 account allows you to download and install Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel and Outlook on your personal computer for free.
- OneDrive – This resource provides students with an online storage location for their files that is accessible from any device. This service also provides access to Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, and Excel, allowing students to create and modify these files without the need to purchase Microsoft Office.
- Online Library – Students have access to over 25,000 books and periodicals online to assist them with research projects.
- Evernote – This is an optional tool to help student organize their notes, photos, web page links and other content.
- Online Textbooks – We continue to expand our use of electronic textbooks, including those with multimedia content.

All of these tools are web-based and are accessible both from home and school. We've taken great strides to ensure that all of these tools are compatible with the most popular technology devices, including Windows laptops and tablets, Apple laptops and tablets, and Android-based tablets. In order for students to benefit from these tools, ***all 7th-12th Grade students are required to bring their own tablet or laptop computer to school each day.*** Laptop computers are recommended but tablets may work for some students. This technology requirement is an integral component of our mission to embed 21st Century skills into our curriculum and to prepare our students for their future college experience and career.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about our technology offerings, device compatibility, or purchase recommendations.

Sincerely,

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