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Dear Hope parents, guardians, and students,

Here at Hope Lutheran School, we have made a commitment to offering high quality technology to our students, including a use of a computer lab, interactive white boards in all classrooms, and personal computers in all our classrooms. Students have access to current hardware and software, as well as a wide variety of online information.

In making these resources available to our students, we also utilize excellent filtering software and have made every effort to safeguard our students from inappropriate and/or unsafe content. However, please realize that it is not possible to safeguard against every instance of inappropriate content, and to use good judgment if something arises. Please also be aware that not everything available on the Internet is accurate or true, and what we must teach together are the skills to discriminate among information sources. For more information on our computer and network system use, you may refer to the school handbook.

As part of our technology program, we are really pleased to offer 1:1 iPad devices to our students this year. These devices are owned by the school and we ask that students not download games or other apps to these devices. These are strictly learning tools used to support teaching that is happening in class. We do not want the iPads to be a distraction in class. We are providing covers for our students to use to protect their iPads; you are also welcome to purchase a different case but please be sure it provides ample protection.

Attached you will find more information about our iPads, frequently asked questions, as well as the terms of our program. Please sign the last page and return it to your child's teacher or the school office. Once we receive this back, your student is welcome to take their iPad home after school. We will fill in the serial number once the iPad is assigned.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Blessings,

Kristen Okabayashi