

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The Montgomery Area School District Administration and Board of Directors are very excited to announce our TEE Initiative (**T**ransforming our **E**ducational **E**nvironment) for the 2012-13 school year. Every high school student will be assigned their own individual iPad to use both at school and at home during enrollment in the district. Our goals for this initiative are:

- Increased learning opportunities for the development of critical skills needed for success in a global economy: critical thinking, problem solving, effective oral and written communication, collaboration, creativity, curiosity, and adaptability.
- Further support our Learning Focused Initiative through individualized "Anytime/Anywhere" learning that extends beyond the school walls and school day.
- Increased opportunities for student engagement in a dynamic learning environment, leading to reductions in drop-out rate, increased attendance rates, lower discipline infractions and higher student achievement.
- Increased opportunities for extending thinking activities.
- Increased opportunities to reach all learners through mass customized learning.
- Increased opportunities for communication modes common in the 21st century.

We invite you to the Montgomery Area High School Auditorium on the below dates and times to receive the iPad.

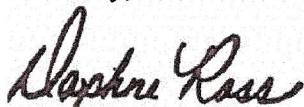
11th and 12th Grade: 9/10/12 at 6:00PM

9th and 10th Grade: 9/12/12 at 6:00PM

You and your child's attendance will be required to receive the iPad, along with the signed student and parent agreements found in the back of the enclosed iPad Policy Handbook. Prior to the above dates, students will be setting up the iPads during school hours in preparation for official receipt at the above times. They will be collected immediately following setup and will not be returned until these assigned parent meetings.

We are very excited about this initiative and look forward to this new approach to not only teaching but also learning. It is designed to empower and motivate our students to learn in their own customized learning environment with unlimited resources available through digital learning. Living in an Informational Age has driven us to make this necessary change to our outdated Industrial Age way of teaching. Not every student learns the same way or at the same pace. Therefore, we feel it is our responsibility to provide a mass customized approach to learning and teaching.

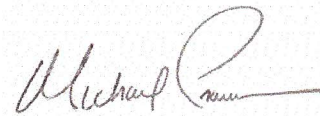
Sincerely,



Daphne Ross
Superintendent



Jeremy Rhoades
Network Administrator



Michael Prowant
High School Principal

