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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Norwood Public Schools' Technology Committee is charged with the responsibility to develop a viable Technology Plan for the district that will meet the learning needs of all of our students going forward. In order to do this properly, we need your help in gathering some essential information. In particular, we need to know how many of our students do and do not have access to technology and the Internet outside of school (at home and elsewhere).

For this reason, we have developed a brief, 6 question, completely anonymous survey that we would like every student to take in grades 1-12. We want every student to participate in the survey so that it is completely accurate and so no one will be left out as we plan for having <u>all</u> our students use more technology in and outside of school for important and engaging learning activities. This anonymous data is very important to our work and we want a 100% return rate.

Therefore, we will be asking all grade 1-12 students to take this brief anonymous survey in class within the next two weeks. Teachers will assist students who may need it.

A copy of the survey will be posted under "Family Resources" on our Norwood website and will be made available to parents in each school office if you want to review it beforehand. If for some reason you do not want your child to participate in the survey, you must inform your principal beforehand, and the principal will let the teacher administering the survey know to exempt your child.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions about this.

On behalf of the Technology Committee, I thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

ASWyeth