Dear Parents/Guardians:

This letter is to inform you that your child/children have access to a variety of instructional websites and/or apps throughout the school year. These resources may include <u>ABCYa</u>, <u>Animoto for Education</u>, <u>Book</u> <u>Creator for Chrome</u>, <u>BrainPOP</u>, <u>Canva</u>, <u>Class Dojo</u>, <u>Clever</u>, <u>Code.org</u>, <u>Discovery Education</u>, <u>Duolingo for</u> <u>SchoolsEpic!</u>, <u>Flipgrid</u>, <u>Freckle</u>, <u>Kahoot</u>, <u>Khan Academy</u>, <u>Kodable</u>, <u>Learning A-Z</u>, <u>Newsela</u>, <u>Padlet</u>, <u>PebbleGo</u>, <u>Piktochart</u>, <u>Prodigy</u>, <u>RAZ Plus</u>, Savvas, <u>Seesaw</u>, <u>SpellingCity</u>, <u>Storybird</u>, <u>Tinkercad</u>, <u>Tumble Books</u>, <u>Tynker</u>, <u>TypingClub</u>, <u>Typing Pal</u>, <u>wevideo</u> and <u>xTraMath</u>. Other DCSD approved apps are curated here: **DCSD** Approved Apps and Websites

These tools have been vetted by our teachers, evaluated according to district guidelines, and approved by the school administration because of the learning opportunities they provide. Each of these resources offers students the opportunity to share their knowledge and understanding of a topic in a variety of ways including photos, drawing, text. The tools allow us to teach and reinforce reading skills, math skills, communication, critical thinking, collaboration, and creativity.

In using these tools we will be sharing the following student data with the vendor.

- ABCYa no student data is used
- <u>Animoto for Education</u>-first name with teacher's account (6th grade only)
- <u>Book Creator for Chrome</u> student username/email address
- BrainPOP students' first and last name and username and join their teacher's class
- <u>Canva</u>-Students under 13 may use Canva only if their parent or legal guardian has given permission to their teacher or school.
- <u>Class Dojo</u> first and last name (via teacher)
- <u>Clever</u>
- <u>Code.org</u> Google apps login
- <u>Discovery Education</u> student username/email address
- <u>Duolingo</u> Students under 13 may use Duolingo for Schools only if their parent or legal guardian's email address is provided to request consent
- Epic! first name, students join their teacher's class/library
- Flipgrid first name only, in the teacher's account/grid
- Freckle first and last name
- iReady-students' first and last name and username and join their teacher's class
- <u>Kahoot</u> first name only
- <u>Khan Academy</u> Students under 13 may use Khan Academy only if their parent or legal guardian's email address is provided to request consent.
- Kodable student's first name
- Learning A-Z Students under 13 may use Learning A-Z only if a teacher or school administrator creates their account
- <u>Newsela</u> Google apps login
- <u>Padlet</u> no student data shared, students respond on teacher-created Padlet
- PebbleGo no student data shared, a generic login is used for all K-3 students

- <u>Piktochart</u> Students under 13 may use Piktochart only if their parent or legal guardian has given verifiable permission to their teacher or school.
- <u>Prodigy</u> student username/email address (gr 3-6 only)
- <u>RAZ Plus</u>- the first name in the teacher's account
- <u>Seesaw</u> Google apps login
- <u>SpellingCity</u> Students under 13 if a teacher or school administrator creates their account.
- <u>Storybird</u> Students under 13 may use Storybird only if their parent or legal guardian's email address is provided to request consent.
- <u>Tinkercad</u> Students under 13 may use Tinkercad only if their parent or legal guardian's email address is provided to request consent
- <u>Tumble Books</u> no student data is used
- <u>TypingClub</u>- Students under 13 may use Typing Club only if their parent or legal guardian has given verifiable permission to their teacher or school.
- <u>Typing Pal</u> Students under 13 may use Typing Pal only if a teacher or school administrator creates their account.
- <u>Tynker</u> Students under 13 may use Tynker only if their parent or legal guardian has given permission to their teacher or school.
- <u>Wevideo</u> Students under 13 may use WeVideo only if their parent or legal guardian has given verifiable permission to their teacher or school.
- <u>xTraMath</u> first name and grade level

The above links are to each vendor's Privacy Policy, which we have read to ensure that student data is protected appropriately.

Your child is not required to use these tools, as an alternative assignment will be provided; therefore, your child's grade is NOT dependent on this tool. The alternative assignment will be determined according to the project, grade, and teacher on an as-needed basis. By **not filling out** the form linked below, you are agreeing to your child's use of these tools and/or account creations.

If you have general questions about this letter, please contact Kristie Barret our Computer Resource Tech. If you have specific questions on how a certain tool is being used in class, please contact your child's classroom teacher. Although this is not a comprehensive list, your child's teacher will inform you of the additional resources used throughout the school year. This letter will be updated and shared each school year.

To **opt your child out** of any of the resources mentioned above, please fill out <u>this</u> Google form. Please fill out one form for each child you wish to opt out.