



**LCUSD Summer Technology Updates and Information**  
**From Jamie Lewsadder, CTO**

July 16th, 2019

Dear Parents and Families!

I have four announcements/reminders for you that will assist you in preparing for next school year.

- Back to School Data Confirmation/ Registration Process (Portal opens 7/16)
- Parent Technology Academy (PTA 2.0)
- Digital Resource access for students
- Chromebook program for students in grades 5-12

**Back to School Data Confirmation/ Registration Process Opens July 17th**

Each summer, families are asked to review student directory information and school policies. This process is online in the [Aeries Parent Portal](#). A separate email will come with directions and details. The basics are that you login to the portal, click through the data confirmation steps, and then print and sign the emergency form.

Before the portal opens Wednesday, please try logging into the Aeries Parent Portal and making sure you have access. It will be an email address. Try forgot password if you get stuck.

<https://abi.lcusd.net/parentportal/LoginParent.aspx?page=default.aspx>

***New families, you'll receive a separate email with your login information***

Current families: if you are unable to login even after trying forgot password, please send an email to [portalhelp@lcusd.net](mailto:portalhelp@lcusd.net) and we will get back to you shortly.

**We will send an email out Wednesday announcing when the portal is open.**

**Parent Technology Academy (PTA 2.0) Nights**

Monday, August 5th at 6:30pm "The student technology experience"

This session will feature a hands-on experience with the digital tools used in many classrooms and a discussion of strategies for healthy tech use at home.

[RSVP for either/both nights here](#)



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### Parent Technology Academy (PTA 2.0) Nights

Tuesday, August 6th at 6:30pm “Google Docs and Slides: in depth training”

This session is centered around developing an understanding of the Google Docs platform. This tool is a heavily used tool and parents can expect to see students using this for homework and projects.

[RSVP for either/both nights here](#)

### Digital Resource Access

We have adopted a system called Classlink to help organize all of the students’ digital resources.

Elementary Math and ELA textbooks, 7/8 math and science textbooks, and LC Math 1, 3, and 4 textbooks are currently available to students along with Typing Club for students in 2nd-8th grade.

#### Sample Classlink Login:



**Think Central**= ELA for grades 1-6, Math for LCHS  
**McGraw Hill/Connect Ed**= Math for K-5

For students with Chromebooks, once they sign in, full access to Classlink happens as they have the Classlink browser extension (This assists with stored passwords and makes the magic happen). For our younger students, directions can be found [here to install the browser extension](#). Please ask your students about this tool and hopefully this will save some trips back to campus if textbooks or workbooks are forgotten. The textbooks also offer technical upgrades like text to speech as well. You’ll receive more training on this tool once school launches and content has been reassigned to the students.



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<b>Chromebook program for students in grades 5-12</b>	
<b>Program Instructional Overview and <a href="#">FAQ</a></b>  <b><a href="#">And watch our podcast about the technology vision</a></b>	This is the start of our 6th year of Chromebooks in LCUSD and we've learned so much during that time. Our core values for the program remain constant (responsibility, access, equity, exploration, experimentation). We believe that this experience is about skill building and supporting the instructional goals.
<b>Purchasing</b>	For 5th grade families or families with older Chromebooks, we have two vendor partners set up. You are welcome to shop elsewhere if desired. <a href="#">This link will take you to our district website and overview of the options.</a>
<b>Insurance</b>	We found an insurance company to offer peace of mind. <a href="#">Learn more here.</a> This vendor partner also offers accidental damage and multi-year warranties. We've seen most of the damage occur at LCHS as the kids move so much during the day. The cost through CPS (linked above) is around \$35 per year and definitely encouraged. <a href="#">This video will explain the benefits and purchasing process.</a> Please consider this to avoid issues in the future.
<b>Enrolling Your New Device</b>  <b>(For new students, you'll be getting a mylcsud.net Google account on the first day of school for 5-6 grade. For 7-12 grade, you can come during high school registration)</b>	Once you have the device, you will need to enroll it in the LCUSD Google Apps for Education Device Management system. We've created a few videos to help you with this process:  <a href="https://youtu.be/nvWZuR7qUYU">https://youtu.be/nvWZuR7qUYU</a>  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Turn on the Chrome device and follow the onscreen instructions until you see the sign on screen. Don't sign in yet.</li><li>2. Before signing in to the Chrome device, press Ctrl+Alt+E to go to the enrollment screen.</li><li>3. Enter your mylcsud.net email address and password.</li><li>4. Click Enroll device. You'll receive a confirmation message that the device has been successfully enrolled.</li></ol>



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	<hr/> <p>If you have logged into your Chromebook with any account prior to enrolling it, you will need to wipe the device before you can enroll it. Follow the steps below.</p> <p><a href="https://youtu.be/wp1fbXsA14s">https://youtu.be/wp1fbXsA14s</a></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Press Esc + Refresh + Power. A yellow exclamation point (!) is displayed.</li><li>2. Press Ctrl + D to begin dev mode, then Enter. A red exclamation point is displayed.</li><li>3. Press Ctrl + D. The Chromebook deletes its local data, returning to its initial state. This takes approximately from 5-15 minutes.</li><li>4. When the transition completes, press the spacebar, then press Enter to return to verified mode.</li><li>5. Enroll the Chromebook before signing in to it.</li></ol>
<b>Equity Device Request</b>	<p>If you have a financial need or are choosing not to participate in sending a Chromebook to school with your student, <a href="#">please fill out this equity device request form</a>. We will contact you in early August with details on checking out the device.</p>