



The Scarsdale Public Schools

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Dear Fifth Grade Parents:

In the next few days, all fifth grade students will have their Scarsdale email accounts activated. This will allow the computer teachers to provide authentic experiences in the proper use of email communication to our fifth graders. These email accounts will be restricted to internal email communication, only within our Scarsdale domain, with a selection of approved external domains that have been vetted by the elementary computer teachers. In addition, these accounts will only be activated after students receive instruction in proper protocols for email communication. All email messages will be archived in accordance with our District's technology policies.

The proper use of email is an important component of Digital Citizenship instruction, helping to prepare our students for having an email account with full external access in the future. Digital communication has been incorporated in our students' instructional program through the use of other Google tools, so activating student email formalizes that aspect of digital communication. In addition, District-hosted email accounts will allow students to communicate with external experts when students begin their Capstone research project.

If you have any questions about student email accounts, please contact your school's computer teacher.

Thank you,

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