

Superintendent's Highlight of the Week

April 1, 2016

The Chromebooks are here and our 5th and 6th graders could not be more enthused! Last week almost 800 students and parents gathered at Mattlin Middle School and Plainview-Old Bethpage Middle School for the distribution of the much-anticipated Chromebooks and the implementation of the middle school 1:1 initiative. Both evenings were successful, with parents and students gathering together to learn about the Acer C738T Chromebook and the Google platform, both of which were chosen collaboratively with the input of many stakeholders throughout the District.



With the Chromebooks and Google Apps for Education (GAPE) accounts, all of our fifth and sixth grade students have the opportunity to engage in 21st century learning experiences that will support their education both directly through online access to Google's Apps and Extensions, but also through the opportunities for collaboration that the platform provides – an opportunity that closely mirrors the college and career

skills that are so important for their success beyond the middle and high school years.



In preparation for this historic event, we researched devices and platforms in order to ensure that the choice for our students would best serve our needs and support our instructional goals.

Parents, teachers, and students alike are excited to embark on this 21st century learning adventure!