

# Pleasantdale School District 107

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On August 22, 2016 the District held its first device deployment event at Pleasantdale Middle School. This event was called LaunchPad 107 and required fourth and fifth grade parents to attend in order to learn about their device and begin the configuration process.

The event followed a station format that helped parents and students understand the purpose of our 1:1 program, how to manage the device at home, and how to be a responsible digital citizen. In addition, parents had an opportunity to activate their Schoology accounts.

As participants entered the building they had the opportunity to pay their \$50 technology fee and were given their LaunchPad 107 passport. They then cycled through three stations in the APR before configuring their device in the library. The configuration included connecting the device to the district wifi, downloading school apps, setting a passcode, and taking a picture of the student for the lockscreen.



This picture allows staff to return a device to a student in the event that the device is misplaced within the building.



This event was successful due to the commitment of our staff and parent volunteers. We were fortunate to have 13 teachers and volunteers manning stations and helping configure devices. These volunteers were patient and very calm under pressure. Our families left the excited about their new devices and ready to start the school year.

The event ran from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, and we enjoyed a steady stream of parents throughout the day. By the end, the team had configured 160 devices. This event allowed our teachers to start the year using iPads in their lessons without setup delays.

This inaugural event showed us how we can improve future LaunchPad 107 events. Changes for next year include ensuring we have Schoology login information in a user-friendly format, utilizing fewer and shorter videos, and having additional apps. While there is room for growth, this was a highly successful event.



## Mission

*Ensure that each student is a passionate learner empowered with the Academic and social skills to responsibly choose and excel in life pursuits.*