

# Tech Night For Parents: Future Ready

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**Welcome!**  
**Thank you for your Attendance**

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# Agenda

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| 7:00 - 7:10 | <b>Welcome and Agenda</b>                           |
| 7:10 - 7:20 | <b>District Perspective - What is Future Ready?</b> |
| 7:20 - 7:25 | <b>Paly Rollout and Procedures</b>                  |
| 7:25 - 7:30 | <b>Parent Resources</b>                             |
| 7:30 - 7:45 | <b>Question and Answer Time</b>                     |
| 7:45 - 8:00 | <b>Focus Group Conversations</b>                    |
| 8:00        | <b>Adjourn</b>                                      |


# Paly Future Ready Links

[Paly 1:1 Future Ready page](#)

[Future Ready Schools](#)

[Commonsense Media](#)

◆ [Parent concerns](#)

A top-down view of a workspace. A hand with red nail polish is typing on a white laptop keyboard. To the right is a black notebook with a white lined page. Below the laptop is a white smartphone. A green diamond-shaped graphic is overlaid in the center, containing the text "What is Future Ready?".

*What is  
Future  
Ready?*



# PAUSD Focus Goals 2016–17

Universally Supporting Every Student, Every Day

## PAUSD Vision Statement

*We support all PAUSD students as they prepare themselves to thrive as global citizens in a rapidly changing world. We develop our students' knowledge, critical thinking, and problem solving skills, and nurture their curiosity, creativity, and resilience, empowering every child to reach his or her fullest intellectual, social, and creative potential.*

### Equity & Access

Assure that every student has access to multiple programs, services, activities and enrichment experiences that support student learning and enable each individual to achieve his or her fullest intellectual, creative and social potential.

### Wellness & Safety

Provide for the social-emotional needs of students and staff and cultivate positive, healthy, identity-safe school environments that promote high levels of connection, engagement and overall well-being throughout the school community.

### High Quality Teaching & Learning

Engage every student in joyful, purposeful learning that appropriately challenges all students to ensure core content mastery and maximizes each student's opportunity to excel academically.



# Why Technology is Important for PAUSD Students

**Technology will be a part of all future jobs - Digital citizenship and critical thinking related to technology are new life skills**

**Technology provides multiple channels for communication between all school stakeholder groups**

**Technology increases student motivation by allowing students to interact with educational content in a medium they are comfortable in**

**Technology supports teachers to move away from 20th century pedagogy to more interactive, individualized, creative, and student-centered educational experiences**

**Technology allows for 21st Century learning and pedagogy: Collaboration, production and curation of content**

**Technology allows for instant access to virtual field trips around the world, videos that show outstanding educational content, and access to vast knowledge**



# What Educational Technology is Not...

A silver bullet to cure all educational challenges

The reason to do something in an educational context. It should be a seamless compliment to what is happening in the classroom

Always easily understood and used correctly by all teachers, students, and parents

A way to remove teachers from the classroom, or make teachers obsolete

Something students understand how to use in appropriate, ethical and responsible ways

A mandate for teachers



# Overview of the Paly Future Ready Program and 2016-17 Rollout



# Paly Rollout

- All Sophomores and Juniors offered Chromebooks in 2016-17
- Future Years

# Paly Rollout

- Where to get Chromebooks
- Responsibilities and costs
- Tech support on campus
- Can my student customize their Chromebook?

# Paly Rollout

- Info sent to parents
- Checking in a Chromebook
- Possibilities for the future of the program

# Best Practices for Parents

- ◆ Parents and guardians should talk to their students about expectations for home use of devices and internet.
- ◆ Discuss family values with your child and how to interact responsibly with technology.
- ◆ It is suggested that PAUSD devices only be used in common rooms in the home.
- ◆ If right for your family, limit technology use at home.
- ◆ Model good behavior regarding technology such as refraining from texting and driving, providing technology free time in your home, and discussing appropriate uses for social media with your student.
- ◆ [Open DNS](#) is a good resource for the home filtering.



# Other Parent Resources

- ◆ [Kids & Tech: 10 Tips for Parents in the Digital Age](#)
- ◆ [Top 5 Parenting Tips for Managing Kids' Technology Use](#)
- ◆ [Common Sense on Digital Life](#)
- ◆ [Distraction, Multitasking, and Time Management](#)
- ◆ [Privacy and Digital Footprints](#)
- ◆ [Cyberbullying](#)



# FAQ's

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- ◆ Real-time monitoring?
- ◆ Current Freshmen/Seniors?
- ◆ Is software provided for BYOD students?
- ◆ District guidelines for student use?





# Discussion Groups

# Two Discussion Groups

1. Questions regarding Future Ready program?
2. Parent conversations - What has worked well in your home to promote good technology use?



# Thank you!

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