

Mobile Learning Program

New Trier's one-to-one Mobile Learning Program (MLP) provides an enhanced academic experience for every student. iPads offer a unique set of features that create opportunities for individualized learning, provide tools for content creation, improve student engagement, foster meaningful collaboration, and offer the potential to transform teaching practices.

PURCHASING AN iPAD

All students entering New Trier are required to purchase an iPad through the district.

The District provides a subsidy to cover part of the cost of the iPad, and families will retain permanent ownership of the device after purchase. A shared cost between the District and families acknowledges that the iPad can be used at home and at school, for both educational and personal purposes. Families are allowed one subsidized iPad purchase per student over the course of four years. If a student is enrolled at New Trier and their enrollment status changes before they receive their device, a full refund will be issued. The portal for iPad purchases will open in early May.

To learn more, you can go to: http://www.newtrier.k12.il.us/mlp.

DEVICE PICK-UP & ORIENTATION

In the Spring, students and their families will receive information about how to purchase an iPad and schedule your student's *required* iPad orientation, which runs from June through August. During their orientation, technology staff will guide students on topics, such as, responsible use of technology, core app functionality, digital workflows, and a thorough introduction to our district's learning management system (LMS).

APPS

Students will have access to approved core and curricular apps, which are delivered through New Trier's mobile device management system, called *Self-Service*. *Note: All apps necessary to support academic success will be provided by the District.*



IPAD RESTRICTIONS

In an effort to provide students with every opportunity to be successful in the classroom and to ease the transition to high school, device restrictions are automatically applied to minimize distractions (i.e. social media notifications, texting, gaming) and encourage the use of school-approved apps and resources.

EBOOKS

Some of the textbooks your student will use at New Trier are accessed through iOS eReader apps. For most digital textbooks, families can purchase their eBook access codes from the New Trier Bookstore; however, it's important to keep in mind that students should NOT redeem any eBook access code <u>prior</u> to their first day of school. *To learn more about eBooks at New Trier, go to the MLP website at <u>www.newtrier.k12.il.us/mlp</u> and expand the "eBooks" section.*

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Students who qualify for financial aid may receive a loaner iPad instead of purchasing a device. Information about New Trier's Student Financial Aid Program can be found on the District's <u>website</u>. Families may apply for financial aid in the Forms tab in PowerSchool. For questions regarding financial aid, please contact the Associate Superintendent's office at 847-784-3409 or <u>feebills@nths.net</u>.

iPAD SUPPORT & QUESTIONS

Technology staff is available throughout the school year and summer months should families have questions or need support. Feel free to email **trevIT** at <u>iPadHelp@nths.net</u> for assistance. *Appointments are required for in-person assistance.