Dear 8th grade families,

As part of our technology initiative in the Middle School, we have required students to purchase the same case for protecting their iPads, the Infocase Fieldmate iPad case. Over the past few months, we have discussed the possibility of modifying this requirement for 8th grade students. As a result of these discussions with students, parents, and teachers, it has been decided that all 8th grade students will be allowed to select an iPad case that works best for their specific needs. Students in 6th and 7th grade will still be required to use the Infocase. We believe that 8th grade students are mature enough to select a case that fits their needs but also provides sufficient protection for the device. As they transition to the 9th grade, they will be able to select the technology device that works best for them, so the selection of their own case in 8th grade is an appropriate step in that transition. Additionally, we are finding that some students' cases are not holding up after a few years of wear and tear.

Students and their families should discuss which case would protect the iPad sufficiently. Students may continue to use the Infocase, or they may select any case available. There are a myriad of cases on the market, some of which integrate a keyboard directly in the case. Please evaluate the case that will best fit your daughter's needs. Here are some suggested options...

OtterBox Defender Series - $89.95 from Amazon.com (on sale for $49.99)
Griffin GB35108 Survivor Extreme-duty Military case for the iPad - $79.99 from Amazon (on sale for $25.49)
Kensington Key Folio Pro 2 Removable Keyboard Case - 99.99 from Amazon.com (on sale for 57.99)
ZAGGkeys PROfolio+ Keyboard Case Cover for iPad - $129.99 from Amazon (on sale for $86.54)

*Prices listed above are subject to change; Many items are available on sale.

Please contact us with any questions.

Thanks,

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