



Dear Parents,

In order to provide the best possible educational experience for your daughters, we rely heavily on technology to augment the physical and text-based learning experience. Therefore, we provide a fully stocked computer lab and chromebooks for class use. Until now, we also allowed our students to use shared headsets. Obviously, given the current pandemic, that is no longer possible. To that end, we are requiring that students purchase their own **wired** headsets to use when in school. [Here](#) is a reasonable option, but of course, feel free to buy your preferred headset as long as it is wired.

Additionally, we require a graphing calculator for mathematics. Incoming students are asked to obtain a Texas Instrument [TI-83 Plus](#) or [TI-84 Plus](#) graphing calculator.

The TI series calculators are very sophisticated yet easy-to-use devices. They function as scientific calculators with capabilities in graphing, data analysis, discrete mathematics, and topics in advanced finance and statistics. It will be used in all levels of mathematics. The TI-83 Plus and TI-84 Plus offer new ways to explore and visualize concepts that formerly required tedious manual calculations.

If your daughter already has a graphics calculator of any kind, it is likely that she will be able to use it without being at a serious disadvantage, although instructions will be given using the TI series. If she is in the mathematics honors track a TI calculator is required. (If in doubt, her teacher will be pleased to advise you in September.)

Sincerely,
Mrs. Shlomis Peikes
Associate Principal