

**Dear 1st Grade Parents and Guardians,**

With excitement and anticipation, Washington Primary is looking forward to the launch of a 1:1 Chromebook initiative for all K-1st grade students on **Thursday, January 12, 2017**. A Chromebook is a laptop like device that is built around the web experience with offline capabilities. Every student will be assigned a device for use during the school year. If you wish to participate in the program, a Chromebook will be available for you to take home. The purpose of this initiative is to use modern technology tools to fully engage students and create a learning environment that fosters critical thinking, collaboration, communication, and creativity.

## **Reading Expands All Children's Horizons**



REACH is a K1 literacy initiative that will bolster reading achievement by engaging parents as their children's at home learning partners. The mission of the 1 to 1 REACH Learning Initiative at Piqua City Schools, is to create a collaborative and engaging learning environment for our K-1 learners. This environment will enable and support students and parents through 1:1 Chromebooks and educational media. REACH will extend learning beyond the school day into homes and communities for

anytime/anywhere learning opportunities. Teacher designed and common core-aligned, REACH's engaging multimedia reading modules will motivate parents and excite children to practice reading through the REACH website, and the free digital media library, PBS LearningMedia.

You can find out more at our website: [www.piqua.org/reach.aspx](http://www.piqua.org/reach.aspx)  
We would love for you and your student to participate in this program.

### **1st Grade Students who participated in the program last year:**

***Thursday, January 12, 2017 - 5:30 PM***

### **1st Grade Students who did NOT participate in the program last year:**

***Thursday, January 12, 2017 - 6:00 PM*** - There will be a parent information session in the commons.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Gearhardt  
Mrs. Pence  
Washington Primary  
937-773-8472

Please complete and return the bottom portion.

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- We will be attending on January 12.  
 We would like to participate, but are unable to attend on January 12.  
 I do not want to participate in this program.

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_