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Dear Parents/Guardians of James Ward School Students,

The website for Go CPS is open. This is an EXTREMELY important program since it is the only way for students to apply for high school for the 2018-2019 freshman class. However, it is available for ALL students looking to apply to elementary schools and high schools. Each and every student, and family looking to apply to a school other than James Ward, has to go on this website and apply for the schools and programs they want. Parents/Guardians, please work with your child during this process.

About a month ago, letters were sent home with 8th graders with activation codes to register and activate their Go CPS accounts. If your student is not in 8th grade, they can use their student I.D. number during the registration process. Please go online and activate your child's account. Students should list the schools in the order that they would like to attend (Ex. – If the student's top choice for high school is Whitney Young, they should put that as #1).

This is a new process for everyone involved, students, parents, and for the faculty of the schools. We understand that there might be some questions that you might have. For that reason, Mrs. Czochara (School Counselor) and Mr. Danaher (School Dean) will be available for parents to come meet with us to try to work through these questions together. We will be available on Thursday's and Friday's from 1:30 – 2:30, on days that students have school, for parents to come in to work together through this process. These meetings will take place in the parent room. Also, we will be available on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, during report card pick-up day, to assist with this process in the SEL Suite of James Ward Elementary.

We are looking forward to working with families throughout this very important process.

Sincerely,
Pat Danaher
James Ward School
Dean of Students