




Greetings PS/MS 42Q Parents/Guardians:

Our school was selected to participate in the Verizon Innovative Learning initiative, a program which provides free technology and free internet access for all staff and students to help close the digital divide and enable transformative teaching and learning. As part of your child’s instructional program, staff will be using a number of core and supplemental applications (apps) to create innovative and transformational learning experiences that are differentiated using VILS iPads.

The VILS iPads for students has a set of core, pre-installed applications that staff and students can leverage to create, communicate, and collaborate within and beyond the school day. To ensure the confidentiality and security of student information, the New York City Department of Education has contractual agreements with core service providers to provide services necessary to operationalize teaching, learning, and business operations. The pre-installed applications include but are not exclusive to:




**Google Apps to be used for Instruction and Collaboration**



**School Management System**




**Learning Management**




**Digital Books**

### Supplemental Apps and Services

In addition to the core resources, the following are supplemental apps that will be used school-wide:



**Jamboard. Padlet**  
Digital Collaborative Canvas




**Epic Sora**  
Digital Reading Platform




**Nearpod Edpuzzle**  
Lesson Presentations




**Flipgrid**  
Video Recordings/Presentations



**STMath**  
Math Instructional Program



**Desmos**  
Graphing Calculator



**Access Course Material**  
(Grades 7 and 8)

Please note that your child’s teachers may use other supplemental apps and resources not listed above. If you would like a list of the supplementary apps they are using, please directly contact each classroom teacher and inquire about the apps your child is using.

Respectfully,  
PS/MS 42Q VILS Team