Dear Parents and Guardians:

Technology is a vital part of your child's learning, both at school and home. Given the constant upgrades and changes in technology, we are always looking for the best ways to utilize programs that enhance student learning.

Currently, all NHA families utilize LaunchPad. LaunchPad is an online student portal, or landing page, that provides a single location for access to all educational digital content assigned by teachers. After much research and testing, NHA has decided to switch from LaunchPad to the **Clever Student Portal** <u>beginning July 30, 2018</u>.

The Clever Student Portal will still provide a single location to access digital learning content but also features additional benefits. These include more single sign-on options (the need to only enter a password one time) and the ability to access the program from any device with an internet connection and a web browser, including mobile devices. With so much of life on the go, we understand the importance of mobile-friendly programs. This will be a simple switch for students, and they will use their National Heritage Academies username and password to log into the Clever Portal—just as they do for LaunchPad.

When students return for the 2018-19 school year, Clever will be integrated into all school devices, and teachers will still customize content for their classes.

LaunchPad, and the associated URL, will remain in place until July 20. Beginning July 30, the Clever Student Portal will be accessible from the school website through the Beyond the Classroom—>Clever Student Portal. Future communications will include the Clever Student Portal URL.

We feel this change will give our schools greater flexibility when managing student-appropriate applications and provides greater ease of use for students and parents. If you have any questions regarding Clever Student Portal, please reach out to the NHA parent relations team at 877-642-7471.

Sincerely,

National Heritage Academies