Eastern Regional High School

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Our teachers have determined through personal experience and current, best practice literature that the graphing and programmable calculator is a valuable instrument, which will aid comprehension and retention of the mathematics concepts presented on a daily basis. Therefore, we are **requiring** that all students taking mathematics have their own graphing calculator.

There are many types of graphing calculators available. Although a specific calculator cannot be required, the courses will be taught using the TI-84 Plus and the TI-84 Silver Edition. Other calculators may not have the same capabilities, and therefore it is strongly recommended that each student have access to a calculator from the TI-84 series at all times. If your son/daughter already owns another type of graphing calculator, please have him/her check with his/her math teacher for compatibility, at the beginning of the school year.

Students will not be permitted to use the TI-89 calculator on quizzes, tests, or the final exams. Further, please note there will be times when the students **will not be permitted** to use any of the previously mentioned graphing and programmable calculators.

I hope the upcoming school year will be a mathematically challenging, enriching, and enjoyable experience. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Alice D. Ryan Supervisor of Mathematics Supervisor of Teaching and Learning