



Rudder High School

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Your son or daughter will soon be assigned a Bryan ISD FirstClass account for the purpose of electronic communications. FirstClass is a robust suite of applications that will allow students to communicate electronically through email, implement time management strategies through the calendar function, collaborate with peers and workgroups, and store files. In addition, your student will be able to practice the responsible use of technology systems since all communication will be archived by the district.

This electronic communication client will allow teachers to deliver instruction and assignments digitally. Teachers may also utilize the drop box feature which provides students the option of turning in their course work electronically. Students will have access to FirstClass from all school computers, and they can access their accounts from home by downloading the free FirstClass client software or through our school website. Students may also access their messages via their Internet-enabled cell phone for anytime, anywhere learning.

In preparation for the implementation of this system, please speak to your child about appropriate behavior related to the use of technology. This includes keeping email passwords private and not sharing it with other students, refraining from the use of profanity, and refusing to participate in any activity that hurts others, is against school policy, or against the law. Any such behavior should be reported immediately to a teacher or administrator. Misuse of the system will result in the student's privileges being revoked.

We are looking forward to a great year at Rudder and are pleased to be able to offer our students this 21st century educational tool.

Sincerely,

Hugh Piatt,
Principal