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HITN Advances Digital Education with iPad Donation to PS 290 ACE Academy in Queens

The donation of 35 iPads, enough to equip an entire class, was made to enhance learning for third-grade students, including English Language Learners, at this top-performing Ridgewood school.

RIDGEWOOD, QUEENS, N.Y. – December 13, 2024 – HITN, the leading Spanish-language public media network, is excited to announce a generous donation of 35 iPads to PS 290 A.C.E. Academy for Scholars at the Geraldine Ferraro Campus. This donation will equip an entire third-grade classroom with cutting-edge technology, empowering young learners, especially English Language Learners (ELLs), to reach new heights in their education.

These iPads will serve as powerful tools for teachers and students alike, offering a range of benefits:

- **Personalized Learning:** Tailored instruction to meet individual needs.
- **Enhanced Engagement:** Interactive and stimulating learning experiences.
- **21st-Century Skills:** Development of essential digital literacy skills.
- **Collaborative Learning:** Opportunities for teamwork and knowledge sharing.

“At HITN, we believe in the transformative power of technology,” said Michael D. Nieves, President and CEO of HITN. “By providing these iPads, we’re not only enhancing the educational experience for ACE Academy students but also fostering digital inclusion for all.”

PS 290 Principal Matt Brownstein expressed gratitude for the donation, stating, “We’re thrilled to see how these iPads will benefit our students, especially our ELLs. Ms. Matos, our dedicated third-grade teacher, is eager to leverage this technology to extend learning beyond the classroom and support our students’ language development.”

Cinthia Matos-Santiago, the third-grade teacher, shared her enthusiasm for the immediate impact of the iPads, noting, “These devices have been invaluable in supporting our students who are still developing their reading skills. We’re excited to share this technology with other grade levels as well.”

HITN’s commitment to bridging the digital divide and providing educational opportunities for all is evident through this generous donation. By empowering students with the tools, they need to succeed, HITN is making a significant impact on the future of education.

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About PS 290:

ACE Academy for Scholars at the Geraldine Ferraro Campus is a public elementary school located in Ridgewood, NY, within the vibrant setting of a large urban area. The school serves 557 students across grades PK-5, fostering a diverse and dynamic learning environment. ACE Academy emphasizes inclusive education and caters to a multilingual student body, many of whom are English Language Learners (ELLs). The school's dedication to academic excellence and cultural inclusivity has contributed to its recognition as one of the top-performing elementary schools in Queens.