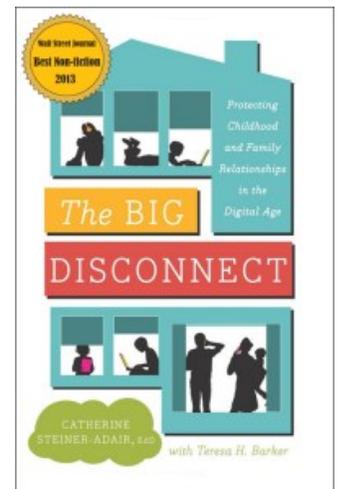

Ridgewood Public Schools

2017-18

TECH NIGHTS

Last year, Catherine Steiner-Adair, Ed.D., author of *The Big Disconnect: Protecting Childhood and Family Relationships in the Digital Age*, addressed parents and guardians as part of our Community Outreach Program - Wellbeing Speakers Series. Following her talk, Ridgewood Public Schools administrators began follow-up discussions that continue today. One outcome of these talks is the selection of Dr. Steiner-Adair's book for a One Book, One District initiative that will encourage the entire community to read *The Big Disconnect*. Additionally, the following programs have been scheduled for this school year.



October 11, 2017, Benjamin Franklin Middle School, 7:00 PM

Overview of the Ridgewood Public Schools' use of educational technology and its security, followed by breakout sessions led by Ridgewood Public School administrators on *The Big Disconnect*.

October 19, 2017, Ridgewood Public Library, 6:30 PM

The League of Women Voters will sponsor the showing of the movie, *Screen-agers*.

November 29, 2017, George Washington Middle School, 7:00 PM

The Ridgewood Board of Education, through our Community Outreach Program - Wellbeing Speaker Series, will host Dr. Devorah Heitner in a program titled, *Screenwise: Helping Kids Thrive (and Survive) in Their Digital World*.

January 11, 2017, Benjamin Franklin Middle School, 7:00 PM

Ridgewood Public Schools will host a hands-on technology and smart phone program for parents and guardians.

March 8, 2017, George Washington Middle School, 7:00 PM

A panel of students will discuss their personal use of technology.

