

E-Reader Procedures and Permission

Great Oak Middle School will allow students to bring in their own electronic reader (e-reader) with parental permission. GOMS e-reader procedures comply with Oxford Public School District Policy 6141.328. For our purposes an e-reader is defined as a product that is designed primarily for the purpose of reading digital e-books and periodicals. This does not include: laptops, iPods, iPads, Kindle Fire devices, or other electronic smart phones or tablets (which may also be used to read e-books). Use of technology (even personal technology) in school is a privilege that comes with great responsibility. Checking personal email, socializing via texts or instant messages, or otherwise engaging in personal pursuits is prohibited during instructional time. Students are responsible for charging and maintaining their own devices. The school is not responsible for providing "charging stations". Only the internet gateway provided by the school may be accessed while on campus. Personal technology is not permitted to be used to access outside internet sources at any time. Students must adhere to the Code of Conduct as well as all Board policies, particularly the Oxford Public School District's Acceptable Use Policy. This means that students who use their personal e-reader must abide by the established policies regarding acceptable use of the Internet, bullying, harassment, cheating, threats, student confidentiality, and other misconduct that violated school rules or causes a disruption of educational activities. Teachers have the discretion to determine when students may use personal e-readers in the classroom. Students must immediately comply with their teachers' requests to shut down or put away personal e-readers. Photographs or videos of any person are not allowed to be taken on school grounds or in a school vehicle. Responsibility to keep personal technology secure rests with the individual owner. The Oxford Public School District, including its staff or employees, is not liable for any device stolen or damaged on campus. If a device is stolen or damaged, it will be handled through the administrative office in a manner similar to the loss or damage of other personal property. It is recommended that students personalize their devices for easy identification and utilize protective cases.

I have read and discussed the rules outlined in this document with my child and have given permission to bring his/her personal e-reader to school.

I agree to the policies and procedures identified above.

Parent Signature: _____

Student Name: _____

Date: _____