

## **St. Paul Catholic School E-Reader Acceptable Use Policy and Agreement Form**

### **Introduction**

Electronic readers, simply called "e-Readers", are digital devices that can store books, periodicals, magazines, and other electronic media. e-Readers like Amazon's Kindle, Barnes & Noble's Nook, Apple's iTouch, and Apple iPad are quickly becoming ubiquitous in our digital culture and they simply cannot be ignored. St. Paul Catholic School, in striving to maintain technological relevance in education, is providing the opportunity for students to use these devices in accordance with our e-Reader Acceptable Use Policy. This opportunity is a privilege that requires extra caution and responsibility both on the part of the students and their parents.

### **e-Reader Acceptable Use Policy**

The wide variety of hardware and software capability of available e-Readers makes them challenging to monitor and control in a school environment in contrast with school owned technology assets like computers, etc. Therefore, our e-Reader Acceptable Use Policy need to be specific and clear. A student who violates any portion of the e-Reader Acceptable Use Policy may immediately lose the privilege to use their e-Reader at school for a length of time commensurate with the nature of the violation.

1. All e-Readers must be registered with the St. Paul School Technology Teacher and accompanied by the Acceptable Use Agreement Form signed both by the parents and the student.
2. e-Readers are to be used only for the reading of school approved material (books, etc.) and not for other purposes such as communication, entertainment, music, gaming, etc.
3. All material on the e-Reader must comply with the spirit and policies of St. Paul Catholic School. Please refer to the Parent-Student Handbook and Acceptable Use Contract for Student Technology.
4. All e-Readers must have cellular and network capabilities disabled (turned off) while the device is at school; unless direct permission is granted by a teacher or administrator.
5. e-Readers must be used at appropriate times in accordance with teacher instructions. The e-Reader must not be a distraction-for the student or those around him/her nor be a source of any classroom disruption.
6. e-Readers are not to be used during lunch, middle school breaks, or during playground/recess times.
7. The student is responsible for knowing how to properly and effectively use their e-Readers and this should not be a burden for the teachers.

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**Parent/Guardian Agreement**

I authorize my child to bring their e-Reader to St. Paul Catholic School with the understanding that it is to be used as a tool for reading only and that my child will comply with the aforementioned e-Reader Acceptable Use Policy. I understand that St. Paul Catholic School is not responsible for any damage or loss associated with my child's e-Reader. I also understand that a violation of the e-Reader policy may result in my child losing the privilege to bring their e-Reader to school for a length of time commensurate with the nature of the violation.

Parent/Guardian Name: (Print) \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
e-Reader Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Agreement**

I agree to abide by all guidelines set forth in St. Paul School's e-Reader Acceptable Use Policy as well as those in the Parent-Student Handbook. I understand that a violation of the e-Reader policy may result in losing the privilege to bring the e-Reader to school for a length of time commensurate with the nature of the violation.

Student Name: (Print) \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Technology Teacher**

Technology Teacher Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_  
Technology Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_