



Imagine South Lake Charter Student Guidelines for eReader Usage

Technology and technology-empowered students are here to stay. Imagine South Lake Charter wants to capitalize on young people's affinity for technology and engage those students in learning in a more relevant way within a world that is becoming increasingly technology driven. The focus in allowing the use of personal eReader devices by students is an effort to help them work independently both in and out of school. This is the first step in technology policy that we believe will enable our students to be digital learners.

By allowing you to use your personal eReader device at school, there becomes a need to establish rules, policies, and regulations that will govern the use of the equipment. Establishing this new environment for such learning takes careful planning and consideration. We hope the information below provides you with guidelines, advice and best practices for using personal devices in the classroom. This information is not meant to be "all inclusive" and will remain a work in progress as the use of personal devices evolves. The keys to our goal and objective setting process will focus around the enhancement of student learning and digital literacy.

Usage Policy: Please refer to the Lake County Schools usage policy in the student handbook.

Personal eReader Devices: iPads, Kindle, Nook

Use of eReader Devices at School: The student is only allowed to use their personal device with the permission of the classroom teacher and for the purpose of meeting English Language Arts Standards. When students are not utilizing personal devices for educational purposes, they should be stored in a secured place (i.e. lockers, with the lock securely fastened or teacher designated area). Students should take their personal devices home every day after school, regardless of whether or not they are needed.

Use of Internet/Network: eReader devices use of Internet and Network privileges are strictly prohibited. Our current network does not have the support for additional Internet usage and student eReader devices are prohibited from being used in this manner. Any student owning an eReader equipped with a cellular data package (Example: 3G or LTE) is prohibited from accessing the Internet on Imagine South Lake campus before, during and after school hours. Misuse of eReader devices in this manner will result actions deemed appropriate by the Lake County School Student Handbook. If at any time Imagine South Lake chooses to amend this policy, we will inform approved eReader users in writing.

Charging Devices: Students are required to bring eReaders to school fully charged. Classroom teachers will not allow students to charge devices on campus.

Loss, Theft, or Damage while on School Property: Students assume all risk of theft or damage while on school property. Students should exercise responsible behavior in the use and protection (protective cases) of any personal devices while on school property. Imagine South Lake Charter will not be responsible for personal property, including eReader devices.

Sound: Sound must be muted at all times in the classroom unless permission is obtained from the teacher for instructional purposes. Personal headphones or ear buds must be used for activities that have sound associated with them, which shall be provided by the student.

Screen Saver/Desktop Wallpaper or Background: Inappropriate media may not be displayed on screen savers, desktop wallpaper or backgrounds while in use at school. Presence of guns, weapons, pornographic materials, inappropriate language, alcohol, drug, and gang related symbols, pictures or applications will result in disciplinary actions as described in the Lake County School Student Handbook.

Personal Devices Left in Unsupervised Areas: Under no circumstances should personal devices be left in unsupervised areas. Any personal device left in an unsupervised area is in danger of being stolen.

Technical Assistance: Imagine South Lake Charter cannot repair or troubleshoot problems with personal devices.

Teacher Discretion: eReader devices are to be used only at the discretion of the classroom teacher for the purpose of mastering English Language Arts Standards. eReader devices should not be used at lunch, on the playground or any other times not sanctioned by the classroom teacher.