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Dear Parent/Guardian,

At Osborne High School, our mathematics classrooms are making considerable use of technology. Title 1 funds have allowed us to purchase sets of scientific calculators for each class as well as several class sets of TI-84 graphing calculators. Graphing calculators are hand-held computers that go beyond the basic calculations and are used for graphing and analyzing complex data.

The use of these calculators is not to be abused. In order to protect our investment and emphasize its importance, we are requiring all students to return a sheet with the required parent/guardian signature indicating that you are willing to accept responsibility for your son/daughter’s proper use of the calculator. If the calculator assigned to your son/daughter is not returned or is returned either defaced or unusable, your son/daughter will be charged the cost of replacement of the calculator. The replacement costs are:

* + TI-NSPIRE - $150
  + TI-84 - $125
  + TI-30 - $15
  + TI-36 - $20

Also, the abuse or misuse of calculators, even if no damage is incurred, may result in the loss of use of school calculators for a given amount of time.

If your son/daughter already owns a graphing calculator and will not need to have the use of a school calculator provided to him/her, please indicate this on the signature sheet.

Additionally, as you may be aware, CCSD is a BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) school district. Therefore here at Osborne, we fully support teachers who wish to implement this form of technology into their lessons, effectively. In order for this to happen, students must adhere to these very specific guidelines:

**Device Types:**

For the purpose of this program, the word “devices” will include: laptops, netbooks, cell phones, smart phones, IPods, IPads, tablets, and eReaders.  Please note that Nintendo DS (and/or other gaming devices with internet access) is not permissible at this time.

***Cell Phone/Technology*** ***Guidelines:***

* *Students and parents/guardians participating in B.Y.O.T. must adhere to the Student Code of Conduct, Student Handbook, Acceptable Use Policy and all Board Policies, particularly Internet Acceptable Use.*
* *Each teacher has the discretion to allow and regulate the use of personal devices in the classroom and on specific projects.*
* *Approved devices must be in silent mode while on school campus, unless otherwise allowed by a teacher.  Headphones may be used with teacher permission.*
* *Devices may not be used to cheat on assignments, quizzes, or tests or for non-instructional purposes (such as making personal phone calls and text messaging).*
* *Students may not use devices to record, transmit, or post photographic images or video of a person or persons on campus during school hours or during school activities, unless otherwise allowed by a teacher.*
* *Devices may only be used to access computer files on internet sites which are relevant to the classroom curriculum.*

Your signature on the next page indicates that you acknowledge these guidelines as well, and understand that if your son/daughter fails to comply, appropriate disciplinary action will be taken.

Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to a great school year, here at Osborne High School!