# ELECTRONICS USAGE POLICY

## Dear Parent/Guardian:

Electronics such as cell phones, ear buds/phones, gaming devices, smart watches, tablets/iPads, etc. are incredible devices and helpful in many ways, but they can also be a source of problems for a school.

# **Electronics have:**

- proven to be very disruptive in class
- become a tool for cheating
- become a bullying tool
- become a device used to spread inappropriate material
- been borrowed without parent knowledge or approval
- been proven to be detrimental during emergencies

To provide a better educational environment, as well as a safer one, we would like your cooperation in setting guidelines for electronics usage.

If you would like your child to carry electronics such as a cell phone to school, please go over the following rules with your scholar.

Thank you so much for helping to make Heritage Academy a great school!

Heidi Udall Principal

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Please read and discuss with your scholar(s) the following policy concerning electronics, including but not limited to cell phones and smart watches.

- Stolen or lost electronics are the sole responsibility of the scholar and parent(s).
- Use of electronics is prohibited in all classrooms unless specifically allowed by the teacher.
- At the discretion of the teacher in charge, electronics may be brought on field trips. The teacher will determine when the devices are allowed to be used. Any stolen or lost electronics brought on any trip/tour are the sole responsibility of the scholar and parent(s).

# **CONSEQUENCE OF MISUSING ELECTRONICS:**

For *all* electronic infractions, the <u>device will be confiscated and given to the principal.</u>

- First infraction: scholar may pick up the device from the principal
- Second infraction: a *parent/guardian must* pick up the device from the principal

Failure to cooperate with staff and repeat offenses will lead to a parent agreement of electronics restrictions for the scholar and disciplinary action will be imposed.