## Kindle Policy

Your child's class has been selected to be part of a study we are conducting at Chippewa Local Schools on the effectiveness of using technology as a tool to enhance learning and understanding in the area of Reading.

Our district purchased a classroom set of Kindles for the Middle School and High School Reading classes. Our plan is to distribute these to groups of students who will then use them to read the assigned book for their reading class. Their teachers will be comparing the level of understanding of the text, the level of excitement toward reading and the test performance of the students with the Kindles compared to the students reading the same book in paperback form.

Our goal is to use this data to determine whether or not the use of technology should be fully implemented in our classrooms. We know there is a lot of value in technology but we want to be sure that it actually improves student performance before we make any further commitments.

In order to be fair in our comparisons the students using the Kindles will need to have access to them all the time just as they do the paperbacks. That is where you, as parents or guardians, come in. Just as we require students to be financially responsible for lost textbooks, we must require the same policy for lost or damaged Kindles. The replacement cost for a Kindle is 120.00.

By signing and returning the form that was sent home with your child, you are agreeing that your child is/will be responsible for paying for any Kindle that is lost or damaged. If you are not comfortable with this, your child will not receive the Kindle but will be given the same book in paperback form instead.

We are looking forward to continuing to offer students various opportunities that support academic growth and achievement.