

Manheim Township School District



Parental Consent for Online Educational Services

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September 5, 2017

Dear Parent or Guardian,

With the distribution and access of iPads comes an exciting world of instructional opportunities and strategies to engage our students in the 21st-century learning skills of communication, collaboration, critical-thinking, and creativity. The purpose of this letter is to explain the process and to familiarize you with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA). COPPA requires that web-based sites and application providers obtain verifiable parental consent for **children under the age of 13** to use these web-based tools. The Manheim Township School District is committed to the safety of our students, especially when it comes to students using online resources. To this end, we will be teaching students about appropriate online behavior including cyberbullying and the disclosure of personal information.

We also recognize that there are excellent online resources that benefit the students by providing unique learning and educational experiences. Notably, interactive web resources provide some of the most compelling and engaging educational tools for students. While allowing access to these interactive online educational resources, we also want to balance the protection of your child's online privacy and personal information. Teachers, curriculum departments, and an app vetting committee review the apps and sites requested and review the privacy statements. We want to ensure that the sites and applications are going to be used for educational purposes and enhance the curriculum through student engagement. The district has a list of approved apps and online resources that are essential to our educational programing. These services may provide teachers with student data or results for educational purposes and planning.

Sincerely,

Anthony Aldinger
Director of Instructional Technology



MTSD Applications and Interactive Online Resources

<https://www.mtwp.net/about/technology/apps-websites/>

The following is a list of applications and interactive online resources that have been approved for use by our district for the 2017-2018 school year. **This list of approved websites and apps is updated regularly. Parents and Guardians should check back regularly at this URL to stay up to date on the latest apps and websites approved for use across the District.** Each site listed provides a link to a privacy policy which describes how or if the site collects and/or uses data. We encourage you to visit each website and review the privacy policy for how student data is used. Another excellent resource for examining the privacy policies of applications is *Common Sense Media* <<https://privacy.commonsense.org>>.

MTSD Core Educational Apps for Grades K-7

Name of App/Site	Link	Privacy Link
Braingenie	https://braingenie.ck12.org/	https://www.ck12info.org/about/technology-2/privacy-policy/
Compass Learning	https://www.thelearningodyssey.com/	https://www.edgenuity.com/edgenuity-and-compass/
First in Math	https://www.firstinmath.com/	https://explore.firstinmath.com/privacy?cc=us
Google Apps for Education	https://edu.google.com/	https://edu.google.com/trust/
Houghton Mifflin	http://www.hmhco.com/	http://www.hmhco.com/common/privacy-policy
IXL	https://www.ixl.com/	https://www.ixl.com/privacypolicy
Learning A-Z	https://www.learninga-z.com/	http://help.learninga-z.com/customer/portal/articles/1649236-privacy
McGraw Hill	http://connect.mheducation.com/connect/login/index.htm?&BRANDING_VARIANT_KEY=en_us_default_default&node=connect_app_27_101	http://www.mheducation.com/privacy.html
RAZ Kids	https://www.raz-kids.com/	http://help.learninga-z.com/customer/portal/articles/1649236-privacy
School 21	https://school21.net/	https://school21.net/corporate/privacy_policy.php
Splash Math	https://www.splashmath.com/	https://www.splashmath.com/privacy
ST Math	http://www.stmath.com/?scribybrkr	http://www.stmath.com/terms

Additional Educational Apps for Grades K-7

Name of App/Site	Link	Privacy Link
Animoto Video Maker	https://animoto.com/	https://animoto.com/legal/privacy_policy
Aurasma	https://www.aurasma.com/	https://aurasma.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/115003496006-Aurasma-Privacy-Policy
Class Dojo	https://www.classdojo.com/	https://www.classdojo.com/privacy/
Classflow	https://classflow.com/	https://classflow.com/privacy-policy
Classkick	https://app.classkick.com/	https://www.classkick.com/privacy-policy
Code.org	http://code.org	https://code.org/privacy
Desmos	https://www.desmos.com/	https://www.desmos.com/studentdata
Edmodo	https://www.edmodo.com/home	https://www.edmodo.com/corporate/privacy-policy?language=en
EdPuzzle	https://edpuzzle.com/	https://edpuzzle.com/privacy
Educreations	https://www.educreations.com/	https://www.educreations.com/privacy/
Epic!	http://getepic.com	https://www.getepic.com/privacy
Evernote	https://evernote.com/?scrlybrkr	https://evernote.com/privacy
Front Row	https://www.frontrowed.com/	https://www.frontrowed.com/privacy/
Kahoot	https://kahoot.com/	https://kahoot.com/privacy-policy/
MakerBot	https://www.makerbot.com/	https://www.makerbot.com/legal/privacy
Newsela	https://newsela.com/	https://newsela.com/pages/privacy-policy/
NoRedInk	https://www.noredink.com/	https://www.noredink.com/privacy
Osmo	https://www.playosmo.com/en/	https://www.playosmo.com/en/privacy-policy/
OverDrive	https://www.overdrive.com/	https://company.cdn.overdrive.com/policies/privacy-policy-for-children.htm?_ga=2.262558412.1772669510.1503938957-d389de24-7b86-4406-a682-6f86a85ccf92
Padlet	https://padlet.com/	https://padlet.com/about/privacy
Quizlet	https://quizlet.com/	https://quizlet.com/privacy
Seesaw	https://web.seesaw.me/	https://web.seesaw.me/privacy-policy
ShowMe Interactive Whiteboard	http://www.showme.com/	http://www.showme.com/privacy
TED	https://www.ted.com/	https://www.ted.com/about/our-organization/our-policies-terms/privacy-policy
Tynker	https://www.tynker.com/	https://www.tynker.com/privacy
Voice Thread	https://voicethread.com/	https://ed.voicethread.com/privacy



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My signature below constitutes consent to access the web-based sites, tools, and applications referenced in the letter.

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S HOMEROOM TEACHER BY
SEPTEMBER 11, 2017**

Student Name (Print) _____

Grade _____ Teacher _____

Parent Guardian Name (Print) _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____