

MATHPATH PERSONAL ELECTRONICS AGREEMENT

(Please **print names** except for signature)

I, _____, parent/guardian of _____,
understand and agree to the following:

- a) MathPath does not allow students to bring any high tech electronics to campus, such as laptops, tablets, kindles, and high-powered calculators – anything powerful enough to play a simple computer game. The exceptions are cell or smart phones, which are useful for communication. However, since cell phones can be used to play games, they will be kept by your counselor and only given to you for a short period each day to call your parents. If you use something else to call home, say an i-Pad with Skype running, you may use such a high tech device, but, like a phone, it will be kept most of the day by your counselor.
- b) Thus, the only electronic devices that are allowed to stay with the student at all times are: a low-tech mp3 player, such as an iPod shuffle; a low-tech eReader, such as a Kindle Paperwhite; a low-tech digital camera; a low-tech alarm clock; and a simple calculator (4-function or scientific). Such low tech electronics does not have to be listed on this form. However, I understand that *all* electronics is brought entirely at our own risk. I therefore agree to make no claims against MathPath or GVSU resulting from any damage, loss or theft to any electronics the above named student brings to camp.
- c) Parents can petition (below) for an exception, but only for a very specific and compelling reasons, such as a medical disability. Even then, if a high tech device is found being used outside its allowed purpose, it will be immediately confiscated and returned only at the end of the program, or earlier at MathPath’s discretion.

Date Signature of parent/guardian print name of student

Note: The reasons MathPath discourages bringing high tech electronic equipment are several:

- i) They are not needed at MathPath, especially now that we have our own portable computer lab
- ii) They are easily damaged, lost or stolen
- iii) They can be used to play games and engage in prolonged social chatter, even cyber-bullying, that are inimical to the goals of MathPath.

Exceptions

If your child will use something other than a phone for calls to parents, list that device here. S/he will have access to it only during phoning time.

If you want your child to have some high tech electronic equipment for a special need, we must preauthorize it. State below what you request s/he be allowed to bring, why s/he needs it, and when and how s/he will use it. In the cover email or cover sheet for your forms submission, state that you are requesting an electronics exception, so that we don't overlook it. If we do not respond to your request within a week of acknowledging receipt of this form, contact April Verser (april.mathpath@gmail.com).

Note: Any high tech electronic device found in your child's possession which has not been authorized will be impounded for the duration of the camp.

**Must be signed and submitted by May 31.
If submitted in hardcopy, do not staple and do not print 2-sided.**