

# THE SPARTAN SHIELD & SWORD

A Library Media Center Newsletter

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## DEVICE DISTRIBUTION: RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND TEACHERS

The vision of the Richmond County School System is “to provide an equitable education for all students to prepare them for life beyond the classroom.” Computer literacy is an important part of today's world - all students need the opportunity to learn to use programs commonly used in the workforce and colleges. The PowerUp initiative uses our education sales tax funds to provide a device for every student. These devices will help assignments to be personalized, engaging, and can increase creativity. This initiative can also provide access to knowledge outside of the classroom. The PowerUp Handbook is designed to help our students understand how to care for the device, use it properly, find help if needed, and to become good digital citizens.

PowerUp is a school based initiative. Here at GHHS, we have four requirements that students, parents and classroom teachers will need to complete in order for students to be issued a take-home device.

1. Parents will complete the PowerUp Course For Parents in Canvas.
2. Parents and students will review the 2023-2024 PowerUp Student Handbook. Classroom teachers will also review this with students.
3. Parents will review the device replacement cost and insurance Information and sign up, if interested. Classroom teachers will also review this information with students.
4. Sign the RCSS student technology loan agreement and return it to the school's library media specialist, Ms. New.

If a parent indicates that a student will be a Device Day-User only, a cart has been designated for overnight/weekend/holiday storage in the library media center. It is the responsibility of the student to do these six requirements:

1. Sign device out during first period (7:25 am - 8:15 am)
2. Sign device in during seventh period (1:25 pm - 2:15 pm)
3. Label device with first and last name
4. Sign your device in/out daily (A sign in/out notebook is located on top of the storage cart)
5. Make sure device is connected to a charger in the storage cart
6. Report any issues with device to the library media specialist upon return

## TEXTBOOK DISTRIBUTION

In order to help students be accountable for their textbooks, it is imperative that lockers be purchased so that textbook distribution may begin. Please visit the Parents tab on our school's website for more information on purchasing lockers. School Administration will announce the dates and procedures for our textbook distribution.

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