

Dear Park Village Families,

Poway Unified School District is committed to bringing unique learning opportunities to our students and we are pleased to introduce a new, free reading service providing ebooks through OverDrive (<https://powayk8.libraryreserve.com>). You will also find a direct link on our Park Village Library Homepage at www.powayusd.com/en-US/Schools/ES/PVES/Academics/Library/Library-Home.

Why OverDrive?

The OverDrive collection is an extension of our physical library, providing 24/7 online access to ebooks and audiobooks. It's convenient for students to check out titles at home, on the weekends or during school breaks with no worry about misplacing a book – these ebooks are automatically returned at the end of the lending period.

OverDrive can help students of all ages read more and improve comprehension. Struggling or reluctant readers, second language learners, and gifted readers can all benefit from this resource in the following ways:

- Enrich vocabulary and improve comprehension and pronunciation
- Introduce students to books at or above their reading level
- Teach critical listening
- Help busy kids find time to read

How does it work?

To use OverDrive, students browse the secure website, borrow with their PUSD Student ID and four digit password, and enjoy the ebooks anytime, anywhere on a computer, tablet, smartphone or eReader. Our students will be using the browser-based method here at school on our student computers, however you are invited to download the OverDrive app at home to use on your personal mobile devices. More information regarding the OverDrive app can be found at <http://bit.ly/2fB4mhx>. When choosing libraries within the app set-up, select **Poway USD K-8**.

Park Village students have access to Poway Unified's entire K-8 OverDrive platform. While our students can view all K – 8 titles, they can only check out titles that are appropriate for elementary students. If an elementary student chooses a title that is designated for middle school students, they see a message informing them that the title is not available for check out. We are excited that access to OverDrive will be an opportunity for you to spend valuable time with your student choosing titles in a variety of digital formats.

Where can I find more information?

For more information, you are invited to contact our Library Media Tech (LMT) Mrs. Fleming. She will be happy to assist you as you begin exploring Poway Unified's OverDrive platform with your student. She can be reached at sfleming@powayusd.com.

Happy reading,
Mr. Mosgrove