

STUDENT USE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

The Board of Education recognizes that the ordinary use of cell phones and pagers in school situations can be disruptive to the educational environment and is not acceptable.

Student Cell Phone Use

- In grades 6-12, cell phones may be carried in pockets or purses but must be turned off (power off) during the instructional school day. Cell phones are not to be taken out except as stated below.
- Classroom teachers in the elementary will determine the location elementary students are to store cell phones.
- Cell phones may not be used in any manner that will cause disruption to the educational environment.
- Use of cell phones on school grounds will only be allowed before and after the instructional school day. Exceptions may be made by the building principal.
- The school district will not be responsible for loss, damage, or theft of any electronic device brought to school.
- Use of cell phones for field trips and sporting events during school hours will be at the discretion of the sponsor/coach.

Consequences

1st Offense

Upon the first offense, the student's cell phone, pager, or electronic communication device will be confiscated by the student's teacher or administrator, and the student will receive a warning. The student's parent or guardian must pick up the cell phone, pager, or electronic communication device from the building principal.

2nd Offense

Upon the second offense, the student's cell phone, pager, or electronic communication device will be confiscated by the student's teacher or administrator, and the student will serve a Detention. The student's parent or guardian must pick up the cell phone, pager, or electronic communication device from the building principal.

3rd Offense

Upon the third offense, the student's cell phone, pager, or electronic communication device will be confiscated by the student's teacher or administrator, and the student will serve an In-School Suspension (ISS). The student's parent or guardian must pick up the cell phone, pager, or electronic communication device from the building principal.

Subsequent offenses will result in a one-year ban of the cell phone, pager, or electronic communication device. This penalty may carry over into the next school year. The student may also be subject to other disciplinary consequences, including, but not limited to detention or suspension.

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