Instruction

<u>Exhibit – Authorization Acknowledgment of Failure to Comply with Cellular Radio</u> Telecommunication Devices Procedures

The Board of Education of the Staunton School District recognizes that student access to personal cellular radio telecommunication devices may assist in the provision of a safe and secure learning environment. The Board also recognizes that such devices may be used for inappropriate activities during school hours and during school activities.

Therefore, it is the policy of the Board to allow cellular radio telecommunication devices to be available to students according to the procedures developed by the Administration to implement policy 6:234.

Cellular Radio Telecommunication Devices

Definition – Cellular radio telecommunication devices include all cellular or mobile telephones; pagers, whether numeric or text; and all other devices capable of transmitting and/or receiving text messages and/or electronic messages. However, any cellular radio telecommunication device capable of taking and/or transmitting digital photographic images will continue to be prohibited during school hours.

Students' Limitations and Failure to Comply with the Cellular Radio Telecommunication Devices Procedures – Students bringing an electronic device are to have it turned off and kept out of sight during school hours. The first time a student has an electronic device that is turned on or being used during school hours, such device will be confiscated and taken to the building principal's office. The student should go to the office following the dismissal of school for return of the device. The second time a student has an electronic device turned on or being used during school hours, such device will be confiscated and taken to the building principal's office. Parental/guardian contact will be made immediately upon occurrence of the second violation. A parent/guardian will be required to retrieve the electronic device from the building principal's office. The third and subsequent time a student has an electronic device turned on or being used during school hours, such device will be confiscated and taken to the building principal's office. The electronic device will be kept in the building principal's office for seven calendar days. The student and parent are required to attend a conference with the building principal to explain why the electronic device(s) was being used during school hours. The administration will not keep electronic devices during Thanksgiving holiday, December holiday, or Spring break when students are not in attendance. If at any time, an electronic device is being used in any manner that is deemed inappropriate, illegal, and/or disruptive, such device will be given to the proper authorities. No Student shall take photographs during school hours with cell phones or other digital media.

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The student may be subject to disciplinary measures, consistent with the Student Discipline Code regarding the infraction of school rules.

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/10-20.28, as amended, effective August 9, 2002.

CROSS REF.: 7:190 (Student Discipline)

DATED: March 15, 2010

Students and their parents/guardians must sign the *Verification Form* acknowledging receipt of the *Authorization Acknowledgement of Failure to Comply with Cellular Radio Telecommunication Devices Procedures* each year while the student is enrolled in the School District.

I understand and will abide by the above Authorization Acknowledgement of Failure to Comply with Cellular Radio Telecommunication Devices Procedures. Students bringing an electronic device are to have it turned off and kept out of sight during school hours. The first time a student has an electronic device that is turned on or being used during school hours, such device will be confiscated and taken to the building principal's office. The student should go to the office following the dismissal of school for return of the device. The second time a student has an electronic device turned on or being used during school hours, such device will be confiscated and taken to the building principal's office. Parental/guardian contact will be made immediately upon occurrence of the second violation. A parent/guardian will be required to retrieve the electronic device from the building principal's office. The third and subsequent time a student has an electronic device turned on or being used during school hours, such device will be confiscated and taken to the building principal's office. The electronic device will be kept in the building principal's office for seven calendar days. The student and parent are required to attend a conference with the building principal to explain why the electronic device(s) was being used during school hours. The administration will not keep electronic devices during Thanksgiving holiday, December holiday, or Spring break when students are not in attendance. If at any time, an electronic device is being used in any manner that is deemed inappropriate, illegal, and/or disruptive, such device will be given to the proper authorities. No student shall take photographs during school hours with cell phones or other digital media.

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