

Elementary Schools

Possession or use of cellular telephones and other personal electronic devices is prohibited at the Elementary School level, unless there is a written petition to the site principal from the child's parent/guardian in which special circumstances are presented with make the possession of a beeper, pager or cellular phone necessary for the health and/or safety of the child.

The principal may grant permission for the use of prohibited electronic items on a case-by-case basis for individual students, for a maximum of one school year. If permission is granted, the child is prohibited from using the electronic device or having it turned on or visible during instructional time inside school buildings or outside school buildings (including recess and lunch periods). Text messaging is specifically prohibited during instructional time. Failure to comply with rules for possession/use of cellular phone or other electronic device at school, even when permission has been granted by the school principal, will result in revocation of permission to have the device at school.

Middle and High Schools

Possession or use of cellular telephones and other personal electronic devices is prohibited at the middle and high school level. Cellular telephones and other technology devices are permitted during certain times of day and in accordance with certain restrictions and set forth in the student handbook. All such devices must be turned off and not visible on campus during the instructional day, except before the first bell, during lunch, and after school has been dismissed.

Emergencies

Unless otherwise directed by the campus principal or designees, use of cellular telephones or electronic devices during emergencies or emergency drills is prohibited for reasons of safety and security. Text messaging during emergencies is also prohibited.

Prohibited Activities

Cellular phones and other technology devices may not be used to threaten, intimidate, or in other way violate the security, safety and well-being of others on school campuses. Such devices will not be used to take photos or other images of students, faculty, or staff that could reasonably be considered sexually offensive, provocative, disrespectful, or otherwise inappropriate. Devices used for such purposes will be confiscated and students will be banned from future use.

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Confiscated devices will be returned to students and/or their parents following the guidelines set forth in the Behavioral Expectations for Students.

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