

STUDENT USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES - RULES

- A. Students in the elementary, middle school, and high school are prohibited from using privately-owned electronic devices, including but not limited to, cellular telephones, PDAs, handheld computers, MP3 players, and electronic games at any time during school hours and during school activities, (including study halls, field trips, and extracurricular activities). As authorized by the school staff, exceptions will be made on buses, during field trips, and at extracurricular activities. Accommodations may be made for students as long as it serves an educational purpose.
- B. Students in the high school are prohibited from using privately-owned electronic devices, including but not limited to cellular telephones, PDAs, handheld computers, MP3 players, and electronic games during classes and school activities, including study halls, field trips, and extracurricular activities.
1. During the School day (7:55 a.m. to 2:25 p.m.) all such devices must be turned off.
 2. The only exception to this rule is when a teacher specifically authorizes students to use such a personal electronic device for a specific purpose (such as entering an assignment on a PDA).
 3. If this rule is violated, the teacher will immediately confiscate the device for the remainder of the school day, and discipline may be imposed as provided below.
 4. As authorized by the school staff, exceptions will be made when students are on buses, during field trips, and at extracurricular
- C. The use of privately-owned personal computers including but not limited to laptops, handheld computers, internet, text messages, and email receiving devices, is prohibited except when written permission for the use of any of these devices for educational purposes has been granted by administrators.
- D. The use of cameras, including camera phones, is strictly prohibited in classrooms and in locker rooms, restrooms, or other locations in which privacy is commonly expected. In other school locations, students are required to obtain permission before photographing others. Exceptions

shall be made as authorized by supervising school staff, such as for the year book.

- E. Any use of cellular telephones, cameras, and other electronic devices that violate any Board policy, administrative procedure, or school rule is strictly prohibited. This includes but is not limited to violations of the student code of conduct, harassment, and cheating.
- F. Students violating these rules will be subject to discipline, which may include:
 - 1. Exclusion of the device from school for an extended period with notification to parents/guardians;
 - 2. Sanctions ranging from detention to expulsion from school depending upon the nature of the offense and the student's disciplinary record; and
 - 3. Referral to law enforcement authorities.

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