



School-Based Policy for Use of Cell Phones, Computing Devices, and Portable Music and Entertainment Systems on School Property

As set forth consistent with Chancellor's Regulation A-413, students are permitted to bring the following electronic devices to school: 1) cell phones; 2) laptops, tablets, iPads and other similar computing devices; and 3) portable music and entertainment systems

A. The use of cell phones, computing devices and portable music and entertainment systems at school is subject to the conditions below:

During the school day:

1. Cell phones, personal computing devices, and portable music and entertainment systems may not be turned on or used while on school property.
2. Cell phones, personal computing devices and portable music and entertainment systems may not be turned on or used during school fire drills or other emergency preparedness exercises, field trips, or neighborhood walks.
3. Cell phones, personal computing devices and portable music and entertainment systems must be stored in students' backpacks at all times during the school day.

During extended day field trips:

4. Cell phones may be used to contact parents with explicit approval of the teacher.

During emergency situations:

5. Cell phones may be used to contact parents with explicit approval of the teacher.

B. Confiscation and return of electronic devices

1. Cell phones and electronic devices that are visible or audible will be confiscated by the present staff member. The cell phone and/or electronic device will be kept in the main office until a parent/guardian retrieves it.
2. If a cell phone or other electronic device is confiscated more than once, the privilege of bringing the item will be revoked.

Students who use cell phones, computing devices, and or portable music and entertainment systems in violation of the school's policy will be subject to discipline in accordance with the guidance interventions and disciplinary responses set forth in the Discipline Code. All incidents will be entered in OORS.

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