

STUDENT USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES AT SCHOOL - SCHOOL RULES

The Board recognizes that many students possess cell phones and other electronic devices. These devices may not be used at school or during school activities in any manner that disrupts the educational process or violates Board policies or school rules.

Said Use is subject to the following:

- A. Students are prohibited from using personal electronic devices, including but not limited to cell phones, "smart phones," MP3 players, and electronic games during classes and school activities. All such devices must be turned off during classes and school activities.

If this rule is violated, the teacher will address this issue and may confiscate the device for the remainder of the school day, and discipline may be imposed as provided below.

- B. Students may use personal electronic devices between class periods and during lunch periods. Devices must be silenced to avoid disrupting others.
- C. The use of cameras or the camera/video function on any device, without permission, is strictly prohibited on school grounds or while engaged in school activities. Students are required to obtain permission before photographing or taking videos of any individual. Students are also required to obtain prior permission before posting any photos of videos of individuals taken at school on social media or elsewhere.
- D. When on school premises, the use of personal electronic devices that violates Board policy, administrative procedure or school rule is prohibited. In addition, accessing, viewing, submitting, forwarding, downloading or displaying any materials that are defamatory, abusive, obscene, vulgar, sexually explicit, sexually suggestive, threatening, discriminatory, harassing, bullying and/or illegal is prohibited.
- E. Student cell phones and other electronic devices may be subject to search if there is reasonable suspicion that a student is violating Board policies, procedures or school rules, or engaging in other misconduct. School administrators may confiscate electronic devices for as long as necessary to complete their investigation.
- G. Students violating these rules will be subject to discipline, which may include:
1. Exclusion of the device from school for an extended period of time; and
 2. Sanctions ranging from detention to expulsion from school, depending upon the nature of the offense and the student's disciplinary record.

Cross Reference: [JIC - Student Code of Conduct](#)
 [JIH-Questioning and Searches of Students](#)
 [JFCK-Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices at School](#)

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