

Brewer High School Cell Phone Policy



Cell phones are strictly prohibited in BHS classrooms during the school day. Cell phones must be off and out of sight.

Students may use cell phones before 8:15am, in the hallway during passing periods, during designated lunch times, and after 4:15pm.

Addressing Violations

The classroom teacher will signal the start of class by reminding students that all phones should be turned off and put away. If a student's phone is visible or in use after the start of class, the teacher will ask the student for the cell phone.

- If the student surrenders the phone freely, the teacher will call the AP office and state that a phone needs to be picked up. The teacher should secure the phone until an Assistant Principal or Security Officer arrives to take possession of the phone. Consequences will be applied as described below.
- If the student refuses to surrender the phone as directed, the teacher will call the AP office and request an escort for the student. An Assistant Principal or Security Officer will come to the room immediately to remove both the student and the phone. Consequences will be applied in accordance with the policies below.

Students who do not comply with staff directives the first time given, will (at a minimum) spend the rest of the school day in ISS. Standard disciplinary consequences will still apply.

Consequences

- **First Offense:** Phone will be confiscated, parent/guardian will be notified, and the phone will be returned to the student at the end of one school day.
- **Second Offense:** Phone will be confiscated, parent/guardian will be notified, and the phone will only be returned to the parent/guardian at the end of one school day.
- **Third Offense:** Phone will be confiscated, parent/guardian will be notified, the phone will be held for three days, and will only be returned to the parent/guardian after three days and payment of a \$15 fine.
- **Fourth Offense:** Phone will be confiscated, parent/guardian will be notified, the phone will be held for three days, and will only be returned to the parent/guardian at the end of the three days and a fine of \$15. Additionally, the student will no longer be permitted to have their phone on them during the school day and can only bring it to campus if they check it in and out with the campus secretary each day.
- **Fifth Offense:** Phone will be confiscated for the remainder of the school year.

All confiscated phones will be securely stored in the AP office.

Teachers may not keep a student's cell phone with the intent of returning it to the student at the end of the period/day.

All violations of this policy must go through the AP office for documentation purposes.

While the focus of this document is cell phones, all electronic devices and accessories not issued by WSISD are prohibited in classrooms during the school day. Violations involving these items will be treated the same as a cell phone.