



# Calla High School Cell Phone Policy

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**Calla High School has implemented a No Cell Phone/Personal Electronic Device policy. This policy is being implemented because studies have shown that cellphone use during class time is associated with lower grades and higher anxiety levels. It can take up to 20 minutes for a student's brain to refocus after using a cell phone in class. The students should be fully engaged in our curriculum to raise levels of student achievement.**

**Manteca Unified School District's Board Policy #5131 regarding electronic devices on school campuses. "Electronic devices" include all Internet connected items capable of communication or calculation through electronic signals, including but not limited to Smartphones, cellular phones, smart watches, tablets, personal computers, gaming devices, air pods or earbuds (headphones) or any other device fitting these descriptions. *MUSD and Calla High are not responsible for theft or loss of any electronic device.***

**Students will be subject to discipline if they violate the provisions of the Board Policy, take pictures or videos on campus without permission from the administration, or otherwise misuse their device or violate other provisions within California Ed Code. This can include phone confiscation for parent retrieval.**

**Devices must be powered off, put away in a backpack or purse, and remain out of sight during instructional time (unless under a condition stated below). These conditions also apply if requested by a bus driver enroute to school or to the student's home.**

**Students may use their devices during lunch.**

**Devices may be used if the device is designated in an IEP or 504 plan and used as directed. Devices may be used if it is prescribed and essential for student health and documented with the school (i.e.: Diabetic monitoring or medical support).**

## **Teachers Guidelines:**

- 1. Teaching minute to minute – provide instructional time for all of the class time.**
- 2. No student cell phone usage for instruction.**
- 3. Incorporate the student devices into your lesson plans.**
- 4. Policy offenders will have the phone taken by James and brought to the office to be locked up.**
  - a. Students can retrieve phone at the end of the day.**
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense will require parental pick up.**
- 5. No ear buds/Airpods/headphones allowed. Same procedure as cell phones in number 4.**
- 6. A cell phone policy overview will occur on the first day of school with Admin, teachers and students.**
- 7. Lead by example, Lobos Level Up!**