



# NO CELL PHONES ALLOWED DURING ACADEMIC DAY

Students are encouraged not to bring cell phones or other electronic devices including smart watches, and earbuds/air pods to school.

If students choose to bring a cell phone/device to school the expectations are as follows: Cell phones, electronic devices (including smartwatches) and earbuds/air pods will remain in student backpacks/lockers during the academic school day, including lunch.

- Students who need to be in contact with their family during the academic day are to ask permission to use one of our school phones. Parents are welcome and encouraged to contact our main office if there is a message that needs to be relayed.
- Students assume the risk of damage, theft, or loss when choosing to bring a phone to school.
- MS/HS students may use their cell phone, smart watches, and earbuds/air pods before and after the academic school day. This includes:
  - Checking in or responding to family members.
  - Sending and receiving appropriate communication with friends.
  - Sharing school-appropriate material with friends.
- Cell phone use of any kind is not permitted in locker rooms or bathrooms.
- Earbuds/headphones may be allowed at designated times for instructional purposes on school approved devices.
- Phone usage during lockdown and fire drills is prohibited.
- Using a cell phone to record or take photos of staff members or other students is not allowed without permission.
- Recording or taking photos of classmates with the intent to bully or harass is not permitted.
- Using social media, apps, or any other function of a cell phone/device to spread rumors, bully, make fun of, exclude, or create a disruption in school or outside of school is not permitted.
- Sharing or asking classmates for inappropriate content is not permitted.
- Cell phone guidelines for off-campus school activities (i.e. extracurricular activities, outdoor and service trips, school field trips) will be individualized depending on the specific trip and activities. These expectations will be addressed at pre-trip meetings and/or on trip-specific permission slips.

# EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- Students who use their cell phone to monitor a medical condition (i.e. diabetes, epilepsy) may have their cell phone with them at all times, but must adhere to all other expectations of the cell phone policy. Please contact school administration for approval if there is an essential need for a phone.
- In the case of medical necessity or emergency, a student should have a health plan or prior approval.

# PROGRESSIVE CONSEQUENCES

These offenses are for using or accessing cell phones/electronic devices. Violations with cell phones or other district policies will be addressed accordingly.

