

# Electronic Communication Devices

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**Purpose-** To create an environment of academic excellence free of distractions so students and teachers can be their best enabling them to teach and learn to their fullest.





STMA High School holds high expectations for student behavior, academic integrity and responsible use of cell phones and other personal electronic devices that can be distracting to the educational environment and are capable of capturing and/or transmitting data or images. Students who possess or use such devices at school must do so with the greatest respect for the educational environment and the rights and privacy of all individuals within the school community. At no time are students to record pictures or videos of students or adults without consent. Electronic devices are to be stored in an identified classroom location during instructional time unless authorized by the teacher. Devices will remain in the identified location for the entire class period, including when the student is out of class with a pass. We have a responsibility to ensure that our students are engaged in daily learning activities. Asking students to remove the distraction of electronic devices, like cell phones and ear buds during instructional time, is a reasonable request.

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If a student is found using a cell phone during instructional time/classroom hours, the phone will be collected by a staff member. Parents or guardians will also receive an email or a phone call. The information below explains our cell phone policy in more depth. Please review the procedures with your student prior to the start of school.

	<p>Staff members have students place phone/electronic devices in a designated area within the classroom until the end of the class period. Staff member communicates with the parent/guardian and fills out a referral.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Students</b> pick up at the end of the class period.</p>
	<p>Staff member turns the phone/electronic device into the front office for the remainder of the school day. Administration communicates with parents/guardians.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meeting with administration and <b>STUDENT</b> picks up at the end of the day.</p>
	<p>Staff member turns the phone/electronic device into the front office for the remainder of the school day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meeting with administration and <b>PARENT</b> picks up at the end of the day.</p>
	<p>Staff member turns the phone into the front office for the remainder of the school day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Phone/electronic device plan created with parent/student/administration. Phones may be held by school during the school day or not allowed on site.</p>