

Ranch View Middle School

Cell Phone/Electronic Device

Student Expectations:

1. I understand that having a cell phone is a privilege that I will not take advantage of.
2. Effective from 7:30 am-2:45 pm, my communication device is off or in airplane mode and in my backpack. This applies to cell phones, smartwatches, earbuds, and headphones.
3. I will not lend my device to another student. I will report any lost or stolen personally owned devices.
4. I will not send inappropriate, hurtful, or threatening text messages, or send or post any pictures or videos of anyone without my parents' and the person's permission.
5. I understand that I am responsible for the safekeeping of my communications device.
6. It is my responsibility to report any **harmful, threatening, or bullying behavior** (written, picture or video) to Safe2Tell, police, parents, or staff members immediately.
7. Failure to give my phone to school personnel is an act of defiance and may result in suspension.
8. I understand that if I need to contact a parent during the school day (7:30-2:45), I will use the phone at the office with the teacher's permission.

Parent Expectations:

1. I have read and will reinforce the student's expectation policy, and contract with my child.
2. I will monitor my child's use of his/her cell phone.
3. I will ensure my child understands the dangers of texting/interacting with people they are unfamiliar with, posting pictures and/or videos, and posting to social media.
4. I will monitor my child's communication devices. It is my responsibility to report any harmful and threatening behavior (written, picture, or video) to Safe2Tell, police, or staff members immediately.
5. I will not call my child's cell phone during school hours as students' phones will be off or on airplane mode. This would result in a tech violation for my child for disrupting class.
6. For any communication, emergency or otherwise, during the school hours of 7:30 – 2:45, I will call the front office number at (303) 387-2300.
7. I understand if my child needs to contact me, there are phones in the classrooms and office my child may use with permission.

Policy Violation Enforcement:

If a student is using a device that is not permitted or using any device inappropriately, the device will be confiscated and the student may be subject to discipline.

I understand and accept the school's policy on communication devices. I agree that if I violate any part of the expectations within this contract, the school consequences will be enforced and used as a guideline for school administrators. This cell phone policy starts with the first bell and ends with the dismissal bell. The consequence can be changed at the discretion of the administration based on the severity of the infraction.

- 1st offense - Cell phone confiscated, brought to the office until the end of the school day
- 2nd offense - Cell phone confiscated, brought to the office until the end of day and parents notified
- 3rd offense - Cell phone must be checked into the office for two weeks
- 4th offense - Cell phone must be checked into the office for four weeks