



Guidance for Cell Phone Policy (JICI) Implementation

GENERAL RULES

1. Cell phones must be silenced and stored out of sight during the entire school day, from bell to bell.
2. Cell phones are strictly prohibited in locker rooms and restrooms.

CLASSROOM PROCEDURES

Cell phones may not be used or seen at any time during the school day.

EXCEPTIONS

- Students with documented medical needs may keep their phones accessible as specified in their IEP, 504, or health plan.

Enforcement of the Policy through Progressive Disciplinary Measures

First Offense:

Verbal warning (Documented in PowerSchool)

Second Offense: (Failure to follow directions/procedures)

In-school suspension (1 day)

Third Offense:

In-school suspension (1 day)

Parent or guardian meeting required

Fourth Offense:

Out-of-school suspension (1 day)

Fifth Offense and subsequent:

Student will be referred FOR REFUSAL TO OBEY.(2 days OSS and possible recommendation for Administrative Hearing. A school behavior contract supersedes any consequences as stated above.)

RATIONALE

THIS POLICY AIMS TO:

- Minimize distractions and improve focus during instruction
- Promote face-to-face interactions and social skill development
- Reduce cyberbullying and inappropriate phone use during school hours

PARENT/GUARDIAN SUPPORT

We kindly ask parents/guardians to:

- ♦ Refrain from calling or texting students during the school day.
- ♦ Contact the school office for emergencies or urgent messages. (Consider methods for phone calls/answering main lines)

LIABILITY

The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged personal devices brought on campus.

By implementing and consistently enforcing this policy, the school administration and staff aim to create a positive learning environment that focuses on academic engagement and social development.