

Book	Policy Manual
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### **Use of Cellphones and Electronic Communications Devices by Students**

Recognizing the impact of student cellphone use on student mental health and achievement and the distractions cellphones present within the classroom, use of student cellphones must be as limited as possible during school hours.

The Board directs the Superintendent/designee to develop procedures governing student use of cellphones that:

1. limit student use of cellphones during the school day as much as possible;
2. reduce cellphone related distractions in the classroom as much as possible and
3. permit a student to use a cellphone or other electronic communications device for student learning or to monitor or address a health concern if included in a student's individualized education program or plan, a 504 plan or other reason deemed appropriate by the Superintendent/designee to monitor a student health concern.

Such procedures must be included in all student handbooks. Student cellphones and electronic communications devices may only be used in compliance with these procedures. Students violating District procedures or building regulations for use of cellphones and other electronic communications devices may have their phone or device confiscated and may be subject to discipline.

The Board reserves the right to restrict all student cellphone use during the school day.

The District assumes no liability if a student's phone or electronic communications device is broken, lost or stolen. Notices of this policy are posted in a central location in every school building, in the student handbooks and posted in a prominent location on the District website.

CROSS REFS.: Student Handbooks

Legal [Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504, 29 USC 729](#)  
[ORC 3313.20](#)  
[ORC 3313.753](#)  
[ORC Chapter 3323](#)

Cross References [AC - Nondiscrimination](#)  
[EDE - Computer/Online Services \(Acceptable Use and Internet Safety.\)](#)  
[JFC - Student Conduct \(Zero Tolerance\)](#)  
[JFCEA - Gangs](#)

