CELL PHONE POLICY

Newport-Mesa
Unified School District
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Smartphones and other mobile communication devices on campus may be beneficial to student learning, but could be disruptive.

Smartphone and other mobile communication devices are permitted on campus in accordance with the following:

- Reduce Distractions
- Be Present
- Increase Focus

Preschool - Grade 8

May NOT use cell phones, smartphones, smart watches, or other mobile communication devices on campus.

Devices must be turned off and placed out of sight during the school day.

Students may use phones located in the school office.

High School (Grades 9-12)

Mobile communication devices must be **turned off during instructional time**.

Students may use a mobile communication device in the following circumstances:

- In case of an emergency, or response to a perceived threat of danger.
- When a teacher or administrator grants permission.
- When an authorized licensed physician determines that the possession or use is necessary.
- When the possession or use is required by the student's individualized education program.

Smartphones and other mobile communication devices shall not be used in any manner which infringes on the privacy rights of any other person.

Refer to BP 5131.8: Mobile Communication Devices for full information.