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2025 – 2026 Cell Phone-Free Learning in Clear Creek ISD

Dear CCISD Families and Staff,

As part of a statewide initiative to minimize distractions, promote academic achievement, and enhance student well-being, Governor Greg Abbott has signed a [law](#) prohibiting student use of cell phones and other personal communication devices during the school day.

The research behind cell phone-free schools is so compelling that most of our intermediate schools have already adopted cell phone-free practices for the past two years and, unless otherwise instructed by a teacher, high school students have been expected to put electronic devices away.

This new law reflects many of our current practices and extends the cell phone policy to include other times of the school day, such as passing periods and lunch.

I ask for your support and patience as we navigate the implementation of the law districtwide.

As you will read in the flyer below, students may still have their electronic devices with them, but they need to be powered off and placed in their backpack, purse, or a bag. They can use their personal devices on the school bus and up until the first bell, which signals the start of the school day. The devices must then be powered off and stowed away until dismissal.

In the event of a school emergency, campus administrators can give students permission to use their cell phones to contact their families.

As with any change, there will naturally be questions from students and families. Our campus administrators are prepared to answer.

Thank you,

Karen Engle, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools



NEW TEXAS CELL PHONE LAW

House Bill 1481 prohibits students from using personal communication devices during the school day.

This law applies to:

- Cell phones
- Non-district issued electronic devices
- Smartwatches
- Air Pods and all Bluetooth-enabled headphones or accessories



Personal devices must be turned off and put away during the school day.

Devices must be stored in a backpack, bag, or a purse. Devices cannot be stored in clothing pockets. The school day is defined as the first bell to the dismissal bell.

Use in the Hallways

The use of personal communication devices is prohibited at all times.

Use at Lunch

Lunch is considered part of the school day therefore the use of electronic devices is prohibited under Texas Law.

Emergency Situations

Administrators may approve the use of cell phones in emergency situations where the device is necessary for the health or safety of students or others.



Additional Notices

The Texas law requires school districts to administer disciplinary consequences if students violate the personal communication device policy in schools. Each infraction of this policy will result in the following escalating consequences:

- Confiscation of the device
- Return of device at the end of the school day
- Parent notification each time
- Progressive discipline may include:
 - In-School Suspension (ISS), increasing with multiple offenses
 - Possible placement in an Alternative Education Program (AEP) after multiple offenses for persistent misbehavior



NUEVA LEY SOBRE TELÉFONOS CELULARES DE TEXAS

El Proyecto de Ley 1481 de la Cámara de Representantes prohíbe a los estudiantes utilizar dispositivos de comunicación personal durante la jornada escolar. Esta ley se aplica a:

- Teléfonos celulares
- Dispositivos electrónicos no emitidos por el distrito
- Relojes inteligentes (smartwatches)
- AirPods y todo tipo de audífonos o accesorios con Bluetooth



Los dispositivos personales deben estar apagados y guardados durante la jornada escolar.

Los dispositivos deben guardarse en una mochila, bolsa o bolso. Los dispositivos no pueden guardarse en los bolsillos de la ropa. La jornada escolar inicia con el primer timbre y finaliza con el timbre de salida.

Uso en los pasillos

El uso de dispositivos de comunicación personal está prohibido en todo momento.

Uso durante el almuerzo

El almuerzo se considera parte de la jornada escolar; por lo tanto, el uso de dispositivos electrónicos está prohibido conforme a la ley de Texas.

Situaciones de emergencia

Los administradores pueden aprobar el uso de teléfonos celulares en situaciones de emergencia en las que el dispositivo sea necesario para la salud o la seguridad de los estudiantes o de otras personas.



Avisos adicionales

La ley de Texas requiere que los distritos escolares impongan consecuencias disciplinarias si los estudiantes violan la política de dispositivos de comunicación personal en las escuelas. Cada infracción de esta política resultará en las siguientes consecuencias progresivas:

- Confiscación del dispositivo
- Devolución del dispositivo al final de la jornada escolar
- Notificación a los padres cada vez
- La disciplina progresiva puede incluir:
 - Suspensión en la escuela (ISS), que aumenta con múltiples infracciones
 - Posible asignación a un Programa de Educación Alternativa (AEP) después de múltiples infracciones por mala conducta persistente