

REQUIRED BY TEXAS EDUCATION CODE SEC. 37.082

PERSONAL COMMUNICATION DEVICES

RULES AND PROCEDURES

"Personal communication device" means a telephone, cell phone such a smartphone or flip phone, tablet, smartwatch, radio device, paging device or any other electronic device capable of telecommunication or digital communication.

(Texas Education Code Sec. 37.082)

POSSESSION AND STORAGE OF DEVICE:

Students are prohibited from using a personal communication device while on school property during the school day.

Personal communication devices must be stored in the student's backpack as the designated storage method.

VIOLATION OF USE:

Students who violate personal communication device guidelines will be assigned a consequence which includes, but is not limited to, confiscation of the device to a centralized location followed by parent communication and pick up. Campuses may require additional restrictions in addition to those found in the *Discipline Management Plan and Student Code of Conduct*.

The district will dispose of a confiscated personal communication device in any reasonable manner after having provided the student's parent 90 days' prior notice in writing of the intent to dispose of the device.

EMERGENCY SITUATIONS:

In emergency situations, students must follow the guidance of school staff regarding use of telecommunication devices.

ADDITIONAL NOTICES:

Students and parents should become familiar with the section and definitions related to personal communication devices in the *Discipline Management Plan and Student Code of Conduct* as well as related information in the Responsible Use Guidelines (located in the Student Handbook).



Scan the QR code to access the *Discipline Management Plan and Student Code of Conduct*.

