

CELL PHONE POLICY

MANAGING DEVICE USE TO ENHANCE LEARNING



WHAT AND WHY

This infographic will outline the AFHSD cell phone policy. The policy:

- Fosters a productive learning environment free from distraction.
- Utilizes a “traffic light” system to inform students.



RED LIGHT-DEFAULT

- All students enter the room with their phone in their backpack/bag.
- Phones remain silent and put away.

YELLOW LIGHT

- Teacher directed use of technology for educational activities only.
- No personal use; social media, games, etc.



GREEN LIGHT

- Teacher directed use during non-instructional time only.
- Passing periods and lunch.



THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

This approach promotes structure and consistency across classrooms while still offering students reasonable opportunities to use their phones responsibly. We believe it strikes a healthy balance between preparing students for the digital world and maintaining a strong academic focus.

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ACCOUNTABILITY

*TEACHERS MAY HOLD CELL PHONES IN A COMMON SPACE DURING EACH CLASS PERIOD.



1ST OFFENSE

Minor infraction (e.g. phone out during Red Light or misuse during Yellow)

Teacher redirection:
Verbal reminder to put the phone away and follow the posted rule.



2ND OFFENSE

Repeated defiance in class (e.g. phone out again in a Red zone, or second warning ignored)

Parent contact:
The teacher contacts the student's parent/guardian to report the repeated problem. Incident is logged.

3RD OFFENSE

Continued non-compliance or referral from class

Administrative referral:
The student is referred to an administrator for repeated non-compliance.

Depending on severity, administration may assign a detention or in-school suspension (ISS) for defiance of school rules.

4TH OFFENSE

Habitual defiance or extreme misuse

Elevated consequences: Repeated violations are treated as willful insubordination. The student may receive ISS or out-of-school suspension for defying school rules, per the district's code of conduct depending on the severity of the incident.



WHAT IF I NEED TO REACH MY CHILD?

Please call your child's school. School staff will support families when emergencies arise.

Not an emergency- Students will have access to their phones during passing periods and lunches.