

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE!

DISCONNECT TO RECONNECT



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**EFFECTIVE
AUGUST 13, 2025**

NEW STATE LAW:

HB 1481



WHAT'S CHANGING

- **Personal devices are banned during school hours (including lunch & passing periods)**
- **Devices include:**  Cell Phones | 
Smartwatches |  Laptops/Tablets | 
Earbuds/Headphones & All other smart devices.
- **Devices must be turned off and stored away (in lockers, backpacks, purses, or designated storage areas)**

ALLOWED EXCEPTIONS

- **School-issued devices for learning**
- **Devices required by: IEP/504 Plan**
- **Medical needs (with doctor's note + admin approval)**

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

- **1st Offense: Device confiscated + Warning+ Parent notified – Device Pickup Required**
- **2nd Offense: Device confiscated + Detention + Parent notified – Device Pickup Required**
- **3rd Offense: Device confiscated + 1 Days ISS + Parent notified – Device Pickup Required**
- **4th+ Offense: Device confiscated + 2 Days ISS + Parent conference + Progressive offense**
- **Note: Parents must pick up devices 30 minutes before/after school or during school hours.**
- **FAQ Link: <https://www.pearlandisd.org/Legislative-Updates>**