



Mayde Creek Junior High School

Amanda Weaver, Principal

Mayde Creek Junior High Personal Electronic Device Policy **Updated to Align with New Texas Law (2025-2026 School Year)**

In accordance with a new law passed by the Texas Legislature, **students are prohibited from using personal electronic devices during the school day.** This includes **cell phones, smartwatches, earbuds/headphones,** and **any other student-owned technology.** These devices must remain **powered off and stored in backpacks** during the instructional day.

Personal Devices Not Allowed — No Exceptions:

- **Personal cell phones**
 - **Smartwatches and wearable devices**
 - **Headphones and earbuds (wired or wireless)**
 - If a student purchased wired headphones when referring to the school supply list, they may only use them for instructional purposes at the discretion of the teacher.
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Technology for Learning:

- Students will use their **school-issued Chromebook** for all academic tasks.
- **School-provided headphones** will be available when needed for instructional activities

Morning Arrival:

- When arriving on campus, students must **power off personal devices** and store them in their backpacks.
- Students should report directly to their **holding area or tutorials.**

Not Permitted at Any Time During the School Day:

- Use of **phones or devices at lunch or in hallways**
- **Accessing social media** on any device, before, during, or after school events
- **Taking photos or videos**
- **Using devices in restrooms or locker rooms** (considered a severe violation)

Communication During the School Day:

We understand families may need to get in touch. Students may use their **Katy ISD email accounts** to communicate with parents.



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Consequences for Policy Violations:

1. **First Offense** – Device is confiscated and held in the AP office until the end of the day. Student may retrieve it.
2. **Second Offense** – Device is held in the AP office. A **parent/guardian** must pick it up.
3. **Third Offense** – Same as second offense. A **discipline referral** is entered and a **school consequence** is assigned.
4. **Fourth Offense** – Student **loses the privilege** of bringing the device to campus and will receive an additional consequence.

 **Offenses reset at the start of each semester.**

Smartwatches:

Smartwatches must remain off and stored away during the school day. Misuse will follow the same disciplinary steps as phones and other devices.

Liability Notice:

Mayde Creek Junior High is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged personal devices. After 90 days, the personal devices will be disposed of properly if not picked up by a parent or guardian after notification.

Thank you for partnering with us to create a focused and distraction-free learning environment for all students.

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