

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Elizabeth Forward High School staff and administration realize that the increase in student use of personal electronic devices has consequences for the educational environment. For the purpose of clarity, Personal Electronic Devices (known as PEDs in this document) include, but are not necessarily limited to: cell phones, smart phones, smart watches, earbuds, non-school issued laptops, non-school issued iPads, headphones or hand-held gaming devices. Students who possess a PED are solely responsible for its care and the district is not liable for the theft, loss, or damage of such property.

The following procedures apply to the use of PEDs:

1. PEDs are not permitted to be used in the classroom. iPads are issued to students and are to be used for academic work. ****Students are required to silence phones, and place them along with earbuds and smart watches into the classroom phone caddy as directed by the teacher.**
2. From 7:25 a.m. to 2:20 p.m., PEDs are ONLY permitted to be used during transition times in the hallways, in the cafeteria, during lunch studies, and during study halls. This privilege may be restricted or revoked at any time pursuant to a disciplinary violation, and as directed by a staff member or building administration.
3. The use of PEDs is strictly forbidden in the locker rooms, pool areas, restrooms and other areas where there is an expectation of privacy.
4. PEDs will be collected during in-school suspension, detention, and all standardized testing.

****The following consequences for refusal/offense of this school procedure will apply:**

First Refusal/Offense: Student will be directed to put PEDs in classroom phone caddy

Second Refusal/Offense: Student will be directed to office/PEDs remain in the office for the remainder of the day

Third/Ongoing Refusal/Offense: Student will be subject to additional disciplinary action as outlined in the school discipline policy.

Bullying, inappropriate or harassing text messages, unauthorized videotaping or photographing, accessing or sharing inappropriate or profane websites/material, and cheating are not permitted and will be dealt with under the code of conduct.

POSTING VIDEOS, AUDIO, OR PICTURES OF OTHER STUDENTS OR STAFF WITHOUT THEIR PERMISSION IS PROHIBITED. Violations of this rule will result in disciplinary action, and possible law enforcement involvement.