

USE OF TELECOMMUNICATION/ELECTRONIC DEVICES: 3245

Students in possession of telecommunications devices, including, but not limited to, cellular phones, earbuds, headphones, gaming devices, smart watches, smart glasses, Bluetooth connectivity, and any wearable smart device, while on school property or while attending school-sponsored or school-related activities will observe the following conditions:

- A. Elementary School (PreK-5): Telecommunication/electronic devices will be turned on and operated only before and after the regular school day.
- B. Middle School (6-8) and High School (9-12): Telecommunication/electronic devices will be turned on and operated only before and after the regular school day. Students will be allowed to use their phones during the student's assigned lunch break.
- C. Telecommunication/electronic devices that are brought to school shall remain stored away in a back pack or school bag. When necessary, teachers will have a designated location in the classroom for phone/electronic device storage during the school day.
- D. Telecommunications/electronic devices will be turned on silent/do not disturb/off during the school day. Exceptions can be made for medical necessity or academic accommodation as documented in a 504, IEP, or health plan.
- E. Students will not use telecommunication/electronic devices in a manner that poses a threat to academic integrity, disrupts the learning environment, or violates the privacy rights of others.
- F. Students will not send, share, view, or possess pictures, text messages, emails, or other material depicting sexually explicit conduct, as defined in [RCW 9.68A.011](#), in electronic or any other form on a cell phone or other electronic device, while the student is on school grounds, at school-sponsored events, or on school buses or vehicles provided by the district.
- G. Students are responsible for devices they bring to school. The district will not be responsible for loss, theft, or destruction of devices brought onto school property or to school-sponsored events.
- H. Students will comply with any additional rules developed by the school concerning the appropriate use of telecommunication or other electronic devices.
- I. Students who violate this policy will be subject to disciplinary action.
- J. Consequences for telecommunication/electronic device violations will be progressive in nature and include direct communication with parent/guardian.

Cross References:	Administrative Policy – 2022	Electronic Resources and Internet Safety
	Administrative Policy – 3207	Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
	Administrative Policy – 3241	Discipline and Corrective Action for Scholar Misconduct

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Administrative Policy – 4310 Relationships with Law Enforcement,
Child Protective Services, Fire
Department, and the County Health
Department

Legal References: RCW 9.68A.011 Definitions