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School Electronics Policy: The Distraction-Free Education Act (HB 340)

To help all students focus better and learn more, our school is putting a new electronics policy in place, following Georgia's "Distraction-Free Education Act" (HB 340).

For Students in Grades K-8 (Kindergarten through 8th Grade):

- **No Electronics During School Hours:** From the moment you walk into the school building in the morning until you leave after dismissal, all cell phones and any other electronic devices must be **turned off** and kept safely in your bookbag. This includes **all** electronic devices like smartwatches, earbuds (any kind), Google Glasses, and any other personal electronic devices.
- **Why This Rule?** This rule helps create a quiet and focused learning environment for everyone.
- **Need to Contact Home?** If your parents need to reach you during the school day, they can call the front office, and we will get the message to you. If you need to contact your parents, you can come to the front office to use the phone.
- **Bus and Field Trip Use:** You *may* use your devices on the school bus to and from school, and on field trips, if your teacher or chaperone says it's okay.

For Students in Grades 9-12 (High School):

- **No Devices During Class:** During class time, you are not allowed to use any electronic devices. This means your devices must be put away and out of sight during lessons.
- **Allowed Use:** You *may* use your electronic devices before school, after school, on the bus, and during lunch.

This policy helps make sure school is a place for learning, free from distractions. We appreciate your cooperation!

“EVERY CHILD, EVERY DAY”