

Students

Student Handbook - Electronic Devices

Electronic Signaling Devices

Students may not use or possess electronic signaling (paging) devices or two-way radios on school property at any time, unless the Building Principal specifically grants permission.

Cell Phones and Other Electronic Devices

The possession and use of cell phones and other electronic devices, other than paging devices and two-way radios, are subject to the following rules:

1. They must be kept out of sight and in an inconspicuous location, such as a backpack, purse, or locker.
2. They must be turned **off** during the regular school day unless the supervising teacher grants permission for them to be used or if needed during an emergency.
3. They may not be used in any manner that will cause disruption to the educational environment or will otherwise violate student conduct rules.
4. They may not be used for creating, sending, sharing, viewing, receiving, or possessing *indecent visual depictions* as defined in State law, i.e., *sexting*. Possession is prohibited regardless of whether the depiction violates State law. Any cellular phone may be searched upon reasonable suspicion of sexting. All sexting violations will require school administrators to follow student discipline policies in addition to contacting the police and reporting suspected child abuse or neglect when appropriate.

Electronic study aids may be used during the school day if:

1. Use of the device is provided in the student's IEP, or
2. Permission is received from the student's teacher.

Examples of electronic devices that are used as study aids include devices with audio or video recording, iPods®, some cellular telephones, laptop computers, and iPads®.

Examples of electronic devices that are **not** used as study aids include: hand-held electronic games, CD players, MP3 players/iPods®, global positioning systems (GPS), radios, and cellular telephones (with or without cameras), and other portable mobile computers capable of transmitting images or pictures.

The School District is not responsible for the loss or theft of any electronic device brought to school.

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