

## 5131.81

### Use of Cellular telephones [\(back to top\)](#)

Students shall not use or display electronic devices including cell phones during school hours ***in a manner that disrupts the educational environment, including using the device to cheat, signal others, or otherwise violate student conduct rules.***

A person who discovers a student using or displaying a cell phone ***in a disruptive manner, shall implement the appropriate consequences.*** Each school shall establish consequences, for the violation of the cell phone use policy and upon approval of the Board of Education shall publish those consequences in the school handbook.

#### Derby High School Policy:

1. Use of electronic devices is permitted with administrative approval in common areas such as (but not limited to): hallways, cafeteria and senior lounge.
2. Teachers shall permit the use of electronic devices for educational purposes in class by displaying a “green” card, this allows students to use their device as directed by the teacher.
3. Teachers shall limit the use of electronic devices in class by displaying a “red” card, cell phones and other personal electronic devices should be stored and out of view.
4. Students who violate the technology policy will receive the following progressive discipline.
  - A. First Violation: Verbal/Written Warning
  - B. Second Violation: Teacher Detention and Office Referral
  - C. Third Violation: In-School Suspension and Device Confiscation (Failure to turn over device will result in increased disciplinary action for insubordination)
  - D. Fourth Violation: Out of school suspension for continued violation of school policy, parent conference required for return. A behavior plan may be designed at this time to prevent further infractions.

#### Derby Middle School Policy:

It is the understanding and mission of Derby Middle School to employ technology appropriately and responsibly for the safe and logical advancement of learning. Digital responsibility is essential in the application of any device and it is a privilege that is maintained through trust and responsible usage. The level of responsibility will be progressive and commensurate with the students ability to maturely control the device.

1. The use of personal electronic devices in grade six is not permitted. Students who own devices and bring them to school must store them either in their locker or their backpack. Devices are not permitted during school hours unless authorized by administration. Students who violate this school rule will be subject to progressive discipline.

2. Beginning in grade seven teachers shall permit the use of electronic devices for educational purposes in class by displaying a “green” card, this allows students to use their device as directed by the teacher. Students in grade seven may also use their personal electronic device in the cafetorium during their assigned lunch. Students who violate this school rule will be subject to progressive discipline.
3. Teachers of students in grade eight shall permit the use of electronic devices for educational purposes in class by displaying a “green” card, this allows students to use their device as directed by the teacher. Students in grade eight may also access their personal electronic device during their assigned lunch and between classes only on the “C” level, the eighth grade floor. Students who violate this school rule will be subject to progressive discipline.
  - A. First Violation: Verbal/Written Warning and call home
  - B. Second Violation: Teacher Detention, Office Referral and a call home
  - C. Third Violation: In-School Suspension and Device Confiscation. The parent/guardian must pick the phone up from school. (Failure to turn over device will result in increased disciplinary action for insubordination)
  - D. Fourth Violation: Out of school suspension for continued violation of school policy, parent conference required for return. A behavior plan may be designed at this time to prevent further infractions.

Bradley and Irving School Policy:

1. Cell phones and personal electronic devices are not permitted to be used by students during school hours.