

PHS Student Handbook Updates for 25/26

1) **P. 4**- Update Contact list for District Administration (Superintendent)

2) **P. 14** - Regarding Make-up work.

Verbiage removed:

Teachers are not required to provide or grade work if the absence is not coded “excused”. Excused absences will not result in a reduction in grades, but failure to complete work usually will affect grades.

Rationale: MASSP/Legal Counsel not recommending tying grades to absenteeism. Too many variables for many students with being absent, etc. Should tie grades to performance!

3) **P. 20** - Parking

Changed fee structure from

	PAC Lot	Front Lot
All year	\$60	\$45
2 trimesters	\$40	\$33
3rd trimester only	\$20	\$18

to

All year	\$50
2 trimesters	\$50
3rd trimester only	\$25

Added the following language:

Parking spots in both student parking lots (PAC lot & Front lot) are available on a “first come, first served” basis. The purchase of a parking permit allows students, space permitting, to park in either lot.

4) **P. 26** - Electronic Devices

Added new cell phone procedures in paragraph 2:

Procedures for cell phones will be as follows:

- Teachers will have a cell phone box in their classrooms.
- At the beginning of the hour, students will place their cell phones in a designated slot in the cell phone box.
- Students may only remove their cell phones from the box after the hour ends or with the teacher's permission.

Rationale: The procedures were implemented during the 2024-2025 school year by our teachers of 9th graders and the faculty voted to adopt those procedures schoolwide for 2025-2026.

Replaced language in paragraph 3:

Electronic devices that disrupt or distract from the learning environment may be confiscated ~~for the remainder of the hour, or day~~. Students are prohibited from using cell phones during class time but may use them between class periods and at lunch. The only exception to this rule is that teachers may direct students in using their phones for legitimate classroom purposes. Students who are using their phone during an unauthorized time or in an inappropriate manner, may have them confiscated. After turning off the device, the student must relinquish the device intact or consequences will ensue. Parents of a student who has his/her cell phone confiscated repeatedly by the same teacher will be contacted by the teacher, who will ask the parent to address the issue at home with their child.

Replaced with: by a teacher for the remainder of the class period, or by administration for a longer period of time.

Rationale: Teachers should not be keeping students' phones beyond the time the student is under their direction. Confiscating a phone for more than a class period falls under the purview of administration.

5) **P. 46** - PARENT/GUARDIAN REFUSAL FOR STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENTS FORM

Added the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HLRFsxP0doANdAZw44l03XcLaGWrnhts/view>

Rationale: This was recommended by our district testing coordinator.