



Inspired Teaching

Demonstration School

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Cell Phones, Smart Watches, Tablets and Other Internet-Enabled Devices

To ensure all students enjoy a safe learning environment with minimal distraction, students may not use personal cell phones, smart watches, tablets, or other devices that connect to the internet at school, including recess, field trips, breaks, and anytime they are in the building before and after school hours - this includes lunch and recess. Students may communicate with family via the school phones with teacher permission, and in an emergency, families can contact students by calling the school's main line. Exceptions may be made in cases where the device is used for a medically approved purpose, or if the technology is approved to support a specific learning need as outlined in an IEP or 504 plan, or for language access support.

Families and students who choose to bring cell phones or other internet-enabled devices must sign the cell phone agreement with the following policies:

- Phones, airpods, tablets, and other tech devices must be turned off at all times.
- All student devices will be stored upon arriving at the building. Devices can be retrieved at dismissal.
- Smart watches may be kept by students provided they are disconnected from the internet and their phone is turned off.
- First violation of the agreement: Phone or device is turned into division principal, and return to student at the end of the school day. Student and division principal will call home to notify family of first violation.
- Second violation: Phone or device is turned into division principal, and returned to an approved family member.
- Third violation: Student receives a consequence based on the hierarchy of consequences and the school will work with families to develop a restricted cell phone plan.

Families are encouraged to discuss their student's vulnerability to theft and/or physical harm when they carry expensive electronics. In addition, cell phones, iPods, iPads, and other electronic devices increase the chance of locker break-ins. The school will not be responsible for the loss, damage, or theft of cell phones and other electronic devices.