

STUDENT USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES REGULATION

The district is committed to providing an inclusive educational environment for students and families. It is valuable for students' educational experience for families to engage in and support their students' educational experience. As part of this commitment, the district will take steps to create opportunities for students to engage in peer-to-peer activities and ensure that student use of personal electronic devices does not occur during instructional time.

Every district staff member is empowered to assist in the enforcement of this policy and regulation as appropriate. To avoid distraction during instructional time, student use of personal electronic devices is always prohibited during the school day, except for the following times and locations:

- Middle and High Schools
 - Before and After School
 - During Passing Periods in the Hallway
 - During Lunch in the Cafeteria
- Kreft Primary and Titan Hill Intermediate
 - Before and After School Only

School administration will establish rules or protocols for storage of personal electronic devices during the school day consistent with this regulation. Rules and protocols will be included in the student handbook. Students may be required to store their personal electronic devices in their backpacks, in a school-supplied locker (upon request), or in the space designated by the classroom teacher.

School administration will establish rules or protocols for violation of this policy (use of personal electronic devices during prohibited times) consistent with this regulation. If a student is observed using a personal electronic device during prohibited times the rules and protocols provided set by building administration will be followed.

Any employee who observed the student behavior will be responsible for enforcing building protocols in relation to the offense. This may include confiscating the electronic device. Any devices confiscated will be secured in the building's front office until the end of the school day. The district and its employees, however, are not responsible for the loss, theft, or destruction of personal electronic devices brought onto school, or district property, or while the student is attending district or school-sponsored events.

For subsequent violations of this policy, building rules and protocols may require the device be released to the student's parent/guardian following a meeting with the student and the student's parent/guardian to create a plan to avoid further violations. Repeated violations of this policy may result in additional disciplinary consequences for students in accordance with board policy up to and including suspension or expulsion.

If a student in violation of this policy refuses to turn over their device, that will be considered insubordination and disciplinary action will be enforced in relation to insubordination.

Legal References:

16 C.F.R. 312

34 C.F.R. pt. 99

47 C.F.R. 54.520

Iowa Code 279.8

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