



STUDENT ELECTRONIC POLICY & GUIDELINES

Phones (earbuds, applewatches or personal ipads) are not to be used during school hours. Every student will be assigned a personal Yondr Pouch. While the Yondr Pouch is considered school property, it is each student's responsibility to bring their Pouch with them to school every day and keep it in good working condition. Head Phones will not be worn in school.

DAILY PROCESS

As students **arrive at school**, they will:

- 1) Turn their phone on airplane mode or power off.
- 2) Place their phone, earbuds, and apple watches inside their pouch and secure it in the presence of school staff.
- 3) Store their pouch safely for the day.

At the end of the day, students will unlock their pouch, remove their phone and put their pouch in their backpack. Students must bring their pouch to school with them each day.

***EMC Students and students arriving late or leaving early will pouch/unpouch their phones at the **At Security desk**.

VIOLATIONS

Pouch Damage / Lost Pouch / Using Phone During School

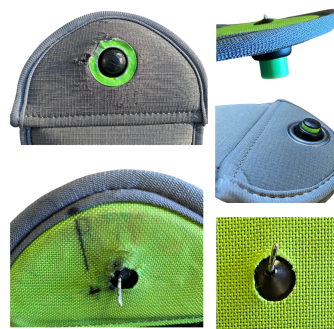
If a student damages their pouch or is caught using their phone, Administration will collect the student's pouch/phone and call home.

Repercussions for damaged pouches or unauthorized phone use will include:

- **[Parent Pickup] / [Saturday Detention] / Suspension] /**
- **\$50 fee for a replacement pouch**

Examples of pouch damage include:

- Bent pin
- Ripped fabric
- Deep scratches on the lock exterior + green ring
- Intentional pen marks on the inside of the pouch
- Pin and button not fully recessing due to pin damage



Forgotten Pouches

If a student forgets their pouch, **their phone will be collected and returned at the end of the day during dismissal..**

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If a student consistently forgets their pouch (3), it is considered lost. **Refer to the Lost Pouch policy above (\$50 fee).**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

At Advanced Technology Academy, we're committed to creating a learning environment where every student can thrive—academically, socially, and emotionally. Beginning **November 1, 2025**, we will launch the [Yondr Phone-Free Schools Program](#)—a proven, bell-to-bell approach that supports student focus, well-being, and connection by removing mobile phones, Apple Watches, earbuds/AirPods, and headphone distractions during the school day.

For over a decade, Yondr has helped schools across all 50 states and more than 35 countries build healthier, more engaging school cultures. Their pouch-based program, combined with hands-on guidance and dedicated support, has led to powerful results:

- 86% reported improved safety and student wellness
- 84% saw increased engagement in class
- 68% experienced academic gain
- 44% reduced behavioral referrals

How the Program Works

Each student will be assigned a Yondr pouch—a secure, lockable case for storing personal devices. Students are responsible for bringing their pouch to and from school each day and keeping it in good condition.

- **Upon arrival:** Students power off their phone, AirPods, and smartwatch (or switch to airplane mode), place all devices in the pouch, and lock it upon entrance to the building.
- **During the day:** Students keep the locked pouch in their possession, locker, or a safe place.
- **At dismissal:** Students unlock pouches at designated stations to retrieve their devices.

This process is quick, simple, and will be supervised by staff as part of our daily routine.

Staying Connected

With student safety as our top priority, we will follow our standard safety protocols in the event of an emergency. If you need to reach your child during the school day, please contact our main office at **(313-625-4701)**.

We know that change takes partnership—and we're here to support a smooth transition for your family. To walk through the program and answer your questions, we'll be hosting a family information session: **October 21, 2025 3:00 Cafeteria**.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to create a focused, present, and positive school environment for every student.

Yours sincerely,

Advanced Technology Academy Administration

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