

Cellphone/Smart Watch Use at School



Refer to Operational Policy 2: Curriculum Delivery and Operational Policy 3: Personnel

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Purpose:

It is a legislative requirement for students to be prohibited from using cell phones during the day at all times.

Guidelines for Cellphone Use at School:

- All students must hand in their cell phone or smart watch at the main office reception upon entering the school grounds
- Students may collect their cellphones or smart watches from the main office reception at the end of the school day as they leave the school grounds
- Sometimes a student may be able to use their cell phone or smart watch during the day if:
 - They need their cell phone or smart watch for health reasons eg. to monitor insulin levels
 - They may need their cell phone or smart watch to support learning if they have a disability eg. to support impaired communication
 - Their teacher requires them to use cell phones for a learning activity eg. to complete a class assignment (extremely unlikely in the setting of this school)
 - The Principal decides that they are able to use a cell phone or smart watch for exceptional circumstances
- Students who breach these rules may have their cell phone or smart watch confiscated and their parents/caregivers will be required to collect their cell phone or smart watch from school
- Staff must not use cell phones or smart watches during contact time with students
- If there is an emergency where a staff member needs to be contacted by someone from outside of the school they need to phone the school office where administration staff can put the call through to the classroom or other teaching and learning space.
- Staff may use cell phones or smart watches during their break times but not in plain sight of students.
- Staff doing active supervision should carry their cell phones to contact the main school office or other staff in an emergency.

More Information:

[Cell phone Use in Schools](#)