



### What is the MMS Cell Phone Policy?

"No student shall possess, on his person, an electronic telecommunication device throughout the instructional day. If a student brings an electronic telecommunication device in any public elementary or secondary school building or on the grounds thereof during an instructional day, the electronic device shall either be turned off and properly stowed away for the duration of the instructional day or prohibited from being turned on and used during the instructional day."

Students are not to bring cell phones to school. If they must bring them, the phones must be stowed away and turned off. They cannot be in the student's pocket.

## **Student Cell Phone Expectations for MMS:**

The use of cell phones and other technology devices is prohibited on campus. Students will submit cell phones at the beginning of the day securing them in a class bin. After this submission has been made, cell phones that are visible will be confiscated.

- **First offense**: Device is taken up and parent or guardian must come to review and sign electronic device receipt and return agreement.
- **Second offense**: Device will be taken up and kept for 9 weeks along with 1 day of after school detention.
- Third offense: Device is taken up for one calendar year and along with one day of Out of School Suspension

#### Addendum to Electronic Device Policy

#### Students who REFUSE to turn over phone or other electronic device to Administrator:

\_Administrator contacts parent, and if parent agrees with student's actions (will not turn over the phone/device):

#### Action to be taken:

- 1. Administrator will inform student/parent that the student is being suspended from school for 3 days and both parents and student will have to see Director of Student Services at the DeSoto Parish School Board before the student can return to school.
- 2. In meeting with the Director, the parent and student will be informed that the student cannot have a cell phone at school for the rest of the school year. *If student is caught with a cell*

phone after returning to school following the suspension and meeting with the Director, the student will be recommended for expulsion.

# \*\*INAPPROPRIATE USE OF CELL PHONES WITH CAMERA CAPABILITIES MAY RESULT IN IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION AND/OR EXPULSION.

\_The bringing of any pornographic materials into the school grounds, school bus and/or activity either physically or electronically is strictly forbidden. Students not following this policy may be subject to suspension and/or expulsion from school. This policy includes books, magazines, pictures on clothing and pornography over the phone, fax, or computer. A copy of The Acceptable Use Policy for Students which students must sign before they are allowed to use the school computer, including Internet access is included in the Student Handbook.