

RSU1 Cell Phone Procedures & Protocol - Yondr 2025-26

Staff Expectations

Common Expectations:

- Every RSU 1 6-12 student is expected to check their phone and smartwatch into a Yondr pouch during school hours.
- Every RSU1 6-12 student will be provided and is responsible for their Yondr pouch. Students will receive a pouch in 6th grade, and similar to their Chromebook, have it assigned to them up through high school. Their pouch will be labeled with a designated number.
- Students will be expected to lock their individual Yondr pouch upon entering the school in the morning and will be able to unlock it at dismissal (either at the end of the day or if they are being dismissed early, in the office at the time of dismissal). Students also have the option of leaving their phone in the office. Students who fail to do so will follow the ladder of consequences listed below. Yondr pouches have magnetic clasps and students are unable to activate the lock without the locking stations that are located at the main entrances.

Staff expectations for personal devices:

- Given we are working towards decreasing personal device and social media use time to improve mental health, staff are expected to limit their cell phone use, but will not be required to use a Yondr pouch. Staff cell phones should not be used during teaching and working periods, unless needed for a job-related reason, etc. During prep time or breaks, staff may use their cell phones for personal reasons. Principals will follow up with staff, as needed, if these guidelines are not followed.

Staff expectations for student use:

- Teachers and support staff are not responsible for locking or unlocking Yondr pouches. However, when successfully following this protocol, there should be no visible phones or smartwatches in the classroom environment. If a staff member sees a student utilizing a cell phone, smartwatch, or non-school-related material on their personal laptop in the classroom or hallways, please send them down to the office and let an administrator know about the situation.

RSU1 Cell Phone/ Smartwatch & Personal Device Ladder of Consequences		
1st Offense	Offense Examples: Misuse of pouch	• Student sent to the office and receives 1-hour detention • Document in student record • Student locks their phone in office and goes back to class
2nd Offense	Forgetting to lock a pouch Seen using phone or watch Not truthful about location of devices	• Student sent to the office and receives 1-hour detention • Document in student record • Yondr pouch stays in the office for the day and picked up by student at dismissal
3rd Offense	Use of other devices not in pouch/ multiple devices Use of personal laptop - texting, social media, etc.	• Student sent to the office and receives 3-hour detention • Document in student record • Yondr pouch checked into the office daily for one week - pouch will not be with student • Parent pickup of device required
4th Offense	Etc.	• Student issued In-School Suspension • Document in student record • Yondr pouch checked into the office daily for two weeks - pouch will not be with student • Parent reentry meeting required
Refusal to use Yondr pouch		• Student issued Out-of-School Suspension • Document in student record