

Student Frequently Asked Questions

Why is the Safe Pouch system being implemented? Research consistently shows that unregulated smartphone use in schools significantly increases issues such as cyberbullying, anxiety, depression, academic achievement gaps, and suicidal ideation. The Safe Pouch system aims to mitigate these risks and promote a healthier learning environment.

When should I lock up my phone and smartwatch? As soon as you arrive at school, turn off your phone and secure it, along with your earbuds and smartwatch, in your Safe Pouch. You will keep your pouch with you during the day, and your last-period teacher will unlock it.

When will my Safe Pouch be unlocked? Your last-period teacher will unlock your pouch at the end of the school day.

I use a Tier 2 Orange Safe Pouch. Where and when can I unlock it? Tier 2 Orange Safe Pouches are unlocked at the Main Office after school, where you will return your pouch.

Can seniors with off-campus lunch privileges unlock their devices during lunchtime? Yes, seniors with off-campus lunch privileges can have their pouches unlocked at the Main Office as they leave campus.

What about unlocking my device if I leave early for sports, field trips, or other events? Students leaving early for sports events, field trips, or other programs may unlock their devices at the Main Office or with assistance from a Campus Supervisor.

What should I do if I forget my pouch? If you forget your pouch, you can borrow a Tier 2 Orange Safe Pouch (if available) or leave your device at the Front Office and pick it up at the end of the school day.

How can I contact my parent, guardian, or younger sibling during school hours? Any staff member can unlock your Blue Safe Pouch when you need to make an urgent call. You must show your student ID, make your call under staff supervision, and relock your device afterward.

What happens if my pouch is lost or damaged? Your Safe Pouch is school property. Lost or irreparably damaged pouches incur a \$15 replacement fee, while minor repairs cost \$3. Arrangements are available for students experiencing financial hardship through community service alternatives. Treat your pouch responsibly, much like a district-issued laptop or textbook.