

Students and Telecommunication Devices

While on school property, or while attending school-sponsored or school-related activities, or while on school buses or other vehicles provided by the district, students shall not use personal telecommunication devices, including, but not limited to pagers, beepers and cellular phones in a manner that poses a threat to academic integrity, disrupts the learning environment, or violates the privacy rights of others.

Students in possession of personal telecommunication devices shall observe the following conditions while on school property, or while attending school-sponsored or school-related activities, or while on school buses or other vehicles provided by the district,:

- A. Student personal telecommunication devices shall not be turned on and/or operated during the regular school day except during the student's lunch break, unless an emergency situation exists that involves imminent physical danger or a school official authorizes the student to do otherwise.
- B. Students shall not create, send, share, or view images or video content on personal telecommunication devices that the student or students know to depict nudity, the unclothed pubic area, unclothed female breasts, masturbation, or any type of sexual intercourse, including oral or anal sex.
- C. When school officials have reasonable suspicion that a student is currently in possession or control of a personal telecommunication device that has been used to create, send, share, or view content in violation of this policy, or that the personal telecommunication device has been used in a manner that poses a threat to academic integrity, disrupts the learning environment, or violates the privacy rights of others, the official may confiscate the device, which shall be returned to the student or to the student's parent or legal guardian.
- D. School officials may not search any personal telecommunication device without the express authorized consent of the student or the student's parent or legal guardian.
- E. Where school officials have reasonable suspicion that a student is currently in possession or control of a personal telecommunication device that contains content that violates criminal laws, or that the personal telecommunication device has been used in a manner that violates criminal laws, the school may notify appropriate law enforcement authorities, and the school must surrender the device to appropriate law enforcement authorities upon the showing of a valid warrant.
- F. Students who violate this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, including suspension or expulsion, and may lose the privilege of bringing any personal telecommunication devices onto school property.
- G. Students are responsible for personal telecommunication devices they bring to school. The district shall not be responsible for loss, theft or destruction of any personal telecommunication device brought onto school property.
- H. Students shall comply with any additional rules developed by the school concerning the appropriate use of personal telecommunication devices.