FRMS - Mobile Phones / Personal Electronic Devices Policy

There has been ongoing discussion around the use of personal technologies (Cellphones, iPads, Accessories, etc.). <u>Our policy is that students must put away personal technology upon school entry and it is not to be used until the bell at the end of the day.</u> Electronic devices will not be used during recess and lunch. Teachers will communicate the guidelines for usage in the classroom. If a teacher grants permission to use a phone as an educational tool in the classroom, it must be under direct supervision of the classroom teacher – Only in the classroom!

We kindly ask families to support our Mobile Phones and Personal Electronic Devices policy by contacting the school directly if you would like to contact your child during the school day. Our goal as a school is to explicitly teach students how to utilize technology as a learning tool. This policy is a way of increasing student engagement in the classroom and encouraging interaction with peers and movement.

Disclaimer

The security and storage of personal electronic devices are the student's and family's responsibility. The district and the school assume no responsibility for the safety, security, loss, damage, repair or replacement of personal electronic devices.

If you are using your device when you should not be, here are the steps that will be taken by any staff member.

If seen using your personal electronic device during classroom and/or non-instructional time (lunch / recess) the following actions can occur.

Teachers Section:

- 1. Warning given and student is asked to put the device in the locker
- 2. If a student continues to use tech inappropriately, cell phone **may** be held by staff member or given to the office. (Teacher gives student self-reflection form, see below)
- 3. Families will be contacted. (Teacher will e-mail)

Admin:

4. If misuse persists, administration will be notified, students will be asked to complete a self-reflection, and families will be consulted on Next Steps.

For the students who face difficulty with the expectations, a plan will be put in place in consultation with all stakeholders. Some examples are below.

Examples:

STUDENT PRINT NAME

- A. LST holds phone (check-in check-out)
- B. Office holds the phone (check-in check-out)
- C. Phone is used for specific purposes at specific times

STUDENT SIGNATURE