

New High School Cell Phone Policy  
Effective February 1, 2021

Dear Parents and Students,

Effective Monday, February 1, 2021, there will be a change in our cell phone policy and procedure. Our current policy states “NO cell phone use during instructional time inside and outside of the classroom or only with teacher permission and it supports the educational process of the course.” Unfortunately, this has not been upheld thus creating a need for change.

Please read the new policy change below, and sign and return the attached acknowledgement to your student advisor.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this matter!

GO ‘STANGS!  
Dr. Hunt  
Principal

**Cell Phones**

**Cell Phones: 9-12** No cell phone use during instructional time inside and outside of the classroom or only with teacher permission and it supports the educational process of the course.

**9-12 Cell Phone/Personal Electronic Device Procedures:**

- Cell phones should be checked in the high school office daily upon arrival and remain there until lunch break.
- Cell phones should be returned to the high school office after lunch break and may be retrieved at the end of the school day.
- Cell phone use in the classroom is teacher approved only for educational purposes.
- **Cell phone violation** - staff member takes phone from student and gives to the HS Secretary for parent contact and pickup (principal will call the parent).
- **Cell phone violation** (refusal to release) is an immediate yellow slip.
  - Immediate red slip if a student interrupts the learning environment and/or others.
- Any staff member may remove a cell phone from a student in any classroom.

**Reasons for Cell Phone Norms:**

- Employment preparation.
- Reducing social stress.
- Promoting face to face interactions (social skills).
- Maximizing classroom learning.
- Making a distinction between social and educational use.

**Phone Use:** Students, with permission from a staff member, may use the office phone or their teacher’s phone. **The District will only remove a cell phone from a student if the student is violating the school’s Cell Phone rules posted above.**

I understand that students are not allowed to use their cell phones during instructional time. If I need to get in touch with my student I will call the School Secretary (732-4430).

Student's Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Please return the signature page to your student advisor.