

STUDENT USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES

The Apple Creek School District prohibits the use of personal communication devices, including but not limited to cellular phones, pagers, and beepers, by students during the instructional day as defined by the principal.

The District also prohibits the use of camera and text messaging features on cellular phones during the instructional day as defined by the Apple Creek School faculty. Other electronic devices, including but not limited to audio devices, image-recording devices, devices that allow for an unfiltered connection to the internet, portable games, and other devices that transmit a signal are prohibited on district property and while students are attending school-sponsored activities and events. This prohibition does not apply to authorized use of district-owned electronic devices.

Possession and/or use of any electronic device in an area where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy is strictly prohibited and will result in confiscation of the device.

Students in violation of any portion of this policy may be subject to disciplinary procedures. Disciplinary action up to and including suspension and/or expulsion may also be taken against any student using an electronic device in a manner that causes substantial disruption to the educational environment.

The Principal and/or her designee is authorized to make exceptions to the prohibitions set forth in this policy for health, safety, or emergency reasons, when use of electronic devices is provided for in a student's individualized education program (IEP).

Cross Ref:
Policy FHBD Searches of Students
Policy FHDA Suspension and Expulsion

Legal Ref: *Klump v. Nazareth Area Sch. Dist.*, 425 F. Supp. 2d
622 (E.D. Pa. 2006)

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