

Policy 0502.06: Respectable Use of Mobile Devices

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Students **shall not use** Wireless Communication Devices on district property and/or off district property in a district-related context during School Hours, unless expressly directed to do so by a staff member. However, the superintendent/designee shall have the discretion to authorize principal(s) and/or administrator(s) who lead attendance centers or district program(s) away from attendance center(s) to permit the use of some and/or all Wireless Communication Devices during designated periods, provided that such use is authorized for a compelling operational and/or educational purpose. The superintendent may revoke any such granted authorization at any time and for any lawful reason.

Students may **possess** Wireless Communication Devices on district property and on district-owned, district-leaded, and/or district-chartered transportation, provided that, during School Hours, student Wireless Communication Devices shall be turned off, concealed, and placed out of the student's reach, including but not limited to, in the student's vehicle, in the student's locker, and/or in the student's backpack or bookbag.

For the purposes of this policy:

- **“School Hours”** means the period between when the first instructional period for any student at the attendance center/instructional program begins for that school day through the time the final instructional period for any student at the attendance center/instructional program ends on that school day. School Hours include lunch periods, passing periods, recesses, and periods during which some - but not all - students may have scheduled classes.
- **“Wireless Communication Devices”** means any wireless electronic communication device that provides for and/or supports in the transmission of voice or data communication between two or more parties, including, but not limited to, a mobile or cellular telephone, a text messaging device, a personal digital assistant that sends or receives messages, an audio-video player that sends or receives messages or a laptop computer; a smartwatch, and/or earphones, airpods, or other listening device.

This policy shall not be interpreted as prohibiting authorized students from using Wireless Communication Devices as directed by an IEP, 504, Health Plan, and/or other authorized assistive technology purpose.

Students shall demonstrate respect and responsibility at all times when using mobile devices (cell phones and electronic communication devices) on district property and/or when away from district property for school-related reasons.

Students shall not use Wireless Communication Devices and/or other technological devices to record, livestream, or otherwise generate photorealistic video, still pictures, and/or audio (including but not limited to manipulations of voice recordings) at any time while on district property and/or while away from district property for school-related purposes, unless they have obtained the express permission of all parties whose image(s), likeness(es), and/or voice(s) may be recorded and/or streamed.

Except as required by an IEP, 504, Health Plan, and/or other documented need for assistive device, students shall not use Wireless Communication Devices and/or other technological devices at any time in locker rooms or restrooms on district property or in locker rooms or restrooms away from district property visited in the course of an off-property school-related event.

Students may face disciplinary consequences, up to and including suspension or expulsion, for violations of this policy. The district assumes no liability for any Wireless Communication Device brought onto school property, including outdoor facilities and parking areas.

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Cross References

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