

Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media

Students may use and possess personal electronic devices such as cell phones, smart phones, tablets, laptops, netbooks, wearable computer or music players on district grounds subject to the following:

1. Personal electronic devices shall not be used in a manner that disrupts the educational process, school programs or activities, or in a manner that violates law, Board policy, administrative regulation or school rules;
2. Personal electronic devices must be turned off at school except under the following circumstances:
 - a. Students may use their device before and after the regular school day;
 - b. Students may use their device when the teacher or administrator allows the use as part of a class project or school activity;
 - c. High school students may use their devices for research and homework in the library as approved by the supervisor in charge;
 - d. High school students may use their devices during lunch break;
 - e. High school students may use their devices during passing times (between classes);
 - f. Students may use their device if preauthorized by the principal or designee for health or safety reasons;
 - g. Students may use their device in the event of an emergency situation that involves imminent physical danger to them and those around them.
3. Students may be required to turn off personal electronic devices during the authorized times stated above if the device in use become a disruption any class, school activity or event that may be in close proximity;
4. The district shall not be responsible for loss, theft or damage to personal electronic devices brought to district property or district-sponsored events;
5. Personal electronic devices must not be displayed in plain view during prohibited times of use;
6. Personal electronic devices may be used as electronic study aids during the school day if provided as a part of a student's individualized education plan (IEP) or if permission is received from the student's teacher or designee in charge;
7. Personal electronic devices used in any way to send or receive messages, data or information that would pose a threat to academic integrity, contribute to or constitute academic dishonesty is strictly prohibited;

8. Personal electronic devices used in any manner that would violate the confidentiality or privacy rights of another individual is strictly prohibited;
9. Students shall comply with any additional school or classroom rules as established and approved by the principal concerning the appropriate use of personal electronic devices;
10. Personal electronic devices used in violation of law, board policy, administrative regulation, or approved school rules will be confiscated, turned in to the school office and returned to the student or parent following parent notification, conference, detention, suspension, expulsion and/or referral to law enforcement officials as appropriate as per ORS 339.250;
11. Students may not access social media websites using district equipment unless the access is approved by a district representative.