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Dear Parents,

Below is the policy for the use of cell phones consistent with Chancellors' Regulations:

**During the School Day**

- Cell phones must be given to the student's classroom teacher when the students enter the classroom each day.
- Cell phones will be stored in a designated location until the end of the day.

**During Afterschool; Other Sponsored Programs:**

- Cell phones may not be used during school sponsored programs and must remain turned off until student leaves the school premises.

Students on Grades K, 1 and 2 will not be allowed to bring cell phones to school. For students on Grades 3, 4 and 5, we urge you to think about your child's ability to handle this responsibility. It is important for you discuss adhering to school policy and procedures, as well as, how to safeguard the property when your child is off school premises.

**Please note our school policy does not allow students to bring tablets, laptops, iPads and other similar computing devices; portable music and entertainment system such as iPods, MP3 players and Nintendo DS.**

Confiscation and return of cell phones and banned items listed above:

- A first violation will result in a warning.
- A second violation will result in the confiscation of the item, with the item being returned at the end of the day. A letter will go home to inform the parent of the violation.
- A third violation will result in the confiscation of the item. A letter will go home informing the parent that the item will be returned following a scheduled parent conference.

Please note the school is not responsible for the theft, loss or damage to your child's cell phone. Please complete and have your child return the tear off form to your child's teacher. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the school.

Sincerely,

Claudina Skerritt  
Principal

I have read PS 78's policy regarding the use of cell phones and banned items in the school:

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ My child has permission to bring a cell phone to school every day. The cell phone will be given to the classroom teacher at the beginning of the school day and returned at the end of the day. I understand that the school is not responsible for the theft, loss or damage to the cell phone.

\_\_\_ My child does not have permission to bring a cell phone to school at any time.

I also understand that other computer devices as listed in the letter are banned at the school.

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_