

SCHOOL-BASED POLICY OF
PUBLIC SCHOOL 8
FOR USE OF CELL PHONES AND COMPUTING DEVICES ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

In accordance with the reform of Chancellor's Regulation A-413 USE OF CELL PHONE AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN SCHOOLS, <http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/8C04CC15-F156-4578-9775-53B98638D650/0/A413Final22615.pdf>

A. The use of cell phones and computing devices (IPADS, tablets) authorized by the school or is contained in an IEP or Section 504 accommodation plan only at school is subject to the conditions below:

1. Cell phones must be turned off, not used during school hours and must be kept in students' backpacks.
2. Computing devices (IPADs, tablets) may not be turned on or used during the administration of any school quiz, test or examination, except where such use has been explicitly authorized by the school or is contained in an Individualized Education Program or Section 504 Accommodation Plan.
3. Cell phones may not be used during non-instructional times including in bathrooms and/or during lunch/recess.
4. Students who use cell phones in violation of any provision of the DOE's Discipline Code, the school's policy, Chancellor's Regulation A-413 and/or the DOE's Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy ("IAUSP") will be subject to discipline in accordance with the guidance interventions and disciplinary responses set forth in the Discipline Code.
5. P.S. 8 cannot be held responsible for the loss, damage or theft of any electronic devices.

B. Cell phones may be used as set forth below:

1. Cell phones may not be turned on or used during school hours.

C. Computing devices may be used as set forth below:

During the school day:

1. Computing devices (IPADs, tablets) authorized by the school for instructional purposes or contained in an IEP or Section 504 Accommodation Plan can be turned on or used during instructional time only with the explicit approval of the teacher.

D. Confiscation and return of electronic items:

1. Violation of school's cell phone policy due to the inappropriate usage of electronic devices will result in confiscation and returned only to parent following a parent conference.
2. Revocation of privilege to bring item to school.