



SCHOOL-BASED POLICY OF P.S./I.S. 113Q FOR USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Students are permitted to bring cellular phones and similar electronic devices to school.

A. The use of electronic devices at school is subject to the restrictions below.

1. Cell phones and other electronic devices **may not** be turned on or used while on school property at any time during the school day including after-school programs, before-school programs, weekend programs, field trips or other school-sponsored activities.
2. All cell phones or other electronic devices **must be turned off** before students enter the school building and stored in the student's personal belongings until the student is dismissed from the school building.
3. Electronic devices 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.
4. Use of electronic devices during the administration of state standardized examinations is governed by State Education Department Rules.

B. Confiscation of Items

Electronic devices may be subject to confiscation by a school administrator or staff member. Method of return of confiscated devices will be determined on a case by case basis. Where appropriate, measures will be instituted in a progressive fashion, which may include:

- Warning to the student to end the use of the electronic device and put it away.
- Confiscation of item and return at end of school day.
- Confiscation of item and return following parent conference.
- Confiscation of item and return following student entering into behavioral contract.
- Revocation of privilege to bring item to school.

C. Discipline

Students who use cell phones and/or other electronic devices in violation of any provision of the DOE's Discipline Code, the school's policy, Chancellor Regulation A-413, and/or the DOE's Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy will be subject to discipline in accordance with the guidance interventions and disciplinary responses set forth in the Discipline Code.

D. Lost/Stolen Electronic Devices

Students are responsible for their electronic devices and should take measures to ensure that their devices are safely stored on their person, in backpacks or other personal belongings. The school is not responsible or liable for electronic devices that are lost, damaged or stolen.