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Dear Parents/Guardians:

On Wednesday, January 7, 2015, Mayor Bill de Blasio and Schools Chancellor Carmen Fariña announced that the ban on cell phones at schools throughout New York City would be lifted. They also announced that each school's principal in consultation with the School Leadership Team (SLT) would have the authority to develop a cell phone and electronics policy tailored to the unique needs of their school community. After several meetings with students, parents, and teachers, it has become clear that the education of all of our students and the safety and security of our entire learning community will be best served by restricting electronic devices during school hours. **Cell phones and all other electronic devices will be collected upon students' entry into the building and returned after the end of their respective school days for all of the schools housed in the Theodore Roosevelt Educational Campus (TREC).**

As we continue to provide our students with a 21st Century education, they are afforded many opportunities to use approved electronic devices such as laptop computers, tablets, interactive whiteboards, etc., during their school day. These opportunities would neither be enhanced nor replaced by students using their personal electronic devices during the school day. While many perspectives were voiced during the discussion of this policy, our continued commitment to ensuring that your children attend school in a safe place and receive a high-quality education was affirmed by our respective SLT's as the top priority. This can best be achieved by prohibiting the use of cell phones and all electronic devices during students' school days.

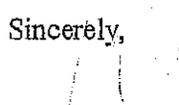
TREC Electronic Device Policy

Cell phones and all other electronic devices will be collected upon students' entry into the building and returned after the end of their respective school days for all of the schools housed in TREC. Any violation of this policy will result in students' cell phones and electronic devices being confiscated. This is a campus-wide policy. All campus personnel will vigilantly enforce this policy to ensure that instruction remains uninterrupted. Confiscated items will be returned to parent(s)/guardian(s) by appointment only.

Please remind your child of this policy before s/he leaves for school each day. TREC student entry opens at 7:00 AM, daily. Additionally, students must allow enough time to complete all campus entry procedures, including phone deposits, to ensure that they arrive to their first class as indicated on their respective programs.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



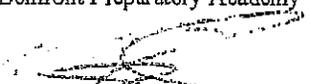
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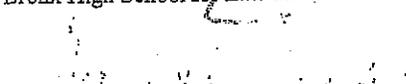
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