

**PS 7 Cell Phone Policy**

**I know I have the right to:**

- bring my cell phone to school but it must be concealed (kept in my bag/pocket) at all times;
- due process as per the discipline code if I violate any school rules.

**I agree to:**

- not allow my phone to ring, vibrate or otherwise cause a distraction during school hours including lunch, recess and after school;
- not wear Apple watches or other high “tech” watches/technology (They may be brought to school but they cannot be worn and must be concealed just as phones are required to be);
- behave and act respectfully if I am asked to surrender my phone (Phones must be surrendered if requested by staff and will be secured for a parent/guardian to retrieve from administration);
- not take pictures or record any activity on school grounds;
- never use a cell phone or electronic device to cheat on an exam or instructional task.

**I understand that:**

- I should travel to and from school using safe, familiar routes with good lighting, refrain from using shortcuts through isolated areas, and **not display my electronic devices or carry them in a manner that attracts attention while traveling, including listening to music;**
- cell phones and electronic devices may not be used during school fire drills or other emergency preparedness exercises;
- I am not permitted to charge my cell phone or other electronic device at school;
- **I assume all responsibility for my cell phone and other electronic devices if I bring them to school (My school is not responsible for stolen, damaged or lost devices);**
- if I use my cell phone or other electronic devices in school, or to bully, threaten, or intimidate others, or to cheat, I will be disciplined in accordance with the Discipline Code.
- if I violate these rules I will lose my right to bring any phone/technology to school.

**Parents/guardians understand that:**

- he/she should discuss all the regulations above with their child;
- he/she should call the school if they need to speak to their child and not call or text their child’s cell phone when their child is at school;
- he/she should encourage their child to not display their phone/electronic devices in public, **especially as they walk home as it substantially increases the chance of being a victim of a violent crime;**
- **the school in conjunction with the SLT recommends against bringing a phone to school.**

**Please check off if your child brings or may bring a phone to school Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_**

Student’s Full Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s Full Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Student’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please register your child’s phone.**

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone’s Serial #: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOUR CHILD HAS A PHONE OR NOT....THANK YOU**