



POLICY OF PS 207X FOR USE OF CELL PHONES, COMPUTING DEVICES, AND PORTABLE MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEMS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Students are permitted to bring the following electronic items to school: 1) cell phones. Students are **NOT** permitted to bring the following electronic devices to school: 1) computing devices (i.e. laptops, iPads, tablets, etc.), 2) portable music (i.e. iPod, MP3, etc.), or 3) entertainment systems (i.e. Nintendo DS, PSP, etc.).

A. The use of cell phones at school is subject to the restrictions below.

1. Cell phones must be turned off and kept in students' backpacks during the school day.
2. Cell phones may not be turned on or used during the administration of any school quiz, test or examination.
3. Use of cell phones and other electronic devices during the administration of state standardized examinations is governed by State Education Department Rules. Cell phones are **NOT** allowed on school property during the state standardized examinations.
4. Cell phones may not be turned on or used during school fire drills or other emergency preparedness exercises.
5. Cell phones may not be used in bathrooms.

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

During the school day:

- Cell phones may not be turned on or used while on school property and must be kept in the student's backpack.
- Cell phones may be used at dismissal only in the presence and with the permission of a PS 207 staff member.

During after-school, school-sponsored programs or activities:

- Cell phones may not be turned on or used while engaged in an afterschool activity, except when a student is calling a parent/family member regarding dismissal.

C. Confiscation and return of cell phones.

If the above policy is not adhered to the following hierarchy of consequences will be put into effect:

- warnings
- 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.

D. Confiscation and return of electric devices (computing devices, portable music, or entertainment systems).

If the above policy is not adhered to the following consequence will be put into effect:

- confiscation of item and return following parent conference

E. Discipline

Students who use cell phones 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 ("ISUSP") will be subject to discipline in accordance with the guidance interventions and disciplinary responses set forth in the Discipline Code.

F. Responsibility

PS 207X is not responsible for lost or stolen cell phones or any other electronic device.