

Policy

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Board of Education Hardyston Township

PUPIL USE OF CELLULAR TELEPHONES AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Cellular telephones and other electronic devices shall not be used in a manner that

- a) disrupts the educational process,
- b) undermines academic integrity, or
- c) violates confidentiality or privacy rights of another individual.

Pupils may possess and use cellular telephones and other electronic devices in the school building before and after the instructional day.

Students are prohibited from using cellular telephones and other electronic devices inside the school building during the instructional day. All such devices must be turned off and out of sight while the pupil is in the school building during the instructional day. The instructional day includes, but is not limited to, lunch breaks, class changes, study halls, and any other structured or non-structured instructional activity that occurs during the normal school day. Cellular telephones may not be used in a disruptive manner as determined by administration.

No pupil shall bring, carry or possess any remotely activating page device on any school grounds, including a school bus, or at any school-sponsored function, at any time and regardless of whether school is in session or other persons are present, without the express written permission of the Chief School Administrator or designee. A violation of this section will subject the pupil to appropriate disciplinary action and possible criminal consequences.

Cellular telephones and other electronic devices that are turned on or are visible during the instructional day are in violation of this policy and will be confiscated by the building Principal, and the pupil will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Electronic games and electronic equipment should be left at home, or out of sight and turned off during the instructional day.

The Board of Education assumes no responsibility in any circumstances whatsoever for the loss, destruction or theft of any cellular phones, electronic games or other equipment that are brought to school at any time or to any extra curricular or after school activity.

Legal References:

N.J.S.A. 2C:33-19
N.J.A.C. 6A:16-5.8

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