

J-3150 JICJ
USE OF PORTABLE ELECTRONIC
DEVICES IN SCHOOL

Students may possess and use portable electronic devices, including but not limited to cellular telephones, MP3 and similar music players, radios, Walkmans, CD players, tape recorders and players, scanners, wireless e-mail devices, cameras, etc., subject to limitations of this and other policies of the District under the following conditions and guidelines:

- Portable electronic devices shall not be turned on or used in any way during instructional time or when their use is otherwise prohibited by school personnel. Instructional time includes the entire period of a scheduled class, and other times when students are participating in any instructional activities (for example, during student assemblies, awards or other public ceremonies, etc.) If such portable electronic devices are used when prohibited by school personnel the device may be confiscated by school personnel. They may be obtained by the parent or guardian from a site administrator.
- Students are required to turn portable electronic devices over to school personnel when requested. Students who refuse to do so may be removed from class or other school activity, have committed insubordination and resisting authority and may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension from school.
- Portable electronic devices are allowed to be taken and used on school trips except that they may not be used during any instructional activity or at other times when school personnel prohibit their use. Coaches and sponsors are encouraged to set guidelines for their use.
- Use of cameras or the camera features on a cell phone or other portable electronic device in a restroom or a locker room or for any use constituting an invasion of any person's reasonable expectation of privacy is strictly prohibited.
- The site administrator may establish and school personnel may enforce additional guidelines appropriate to campus needs.
- Students violating this policy may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension from school.
- There is, in certain instances, educational value in utilizing portable electronic devices in class or during instructional activities when such devices aid in extending, enhancing, and/or reinforcing the students' learning process related to the instructional objectives of the class they are attending. Approval for students' use of such devices will be at the discretion of the classroom teacher

and/or site administrator unless such device is mandated in the student's individualized education program (IEP) or the extreme nature of a bona fide emergency renders the securing of such permission impractical under the circumstances.

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