

# CHARLOTTE MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Student Device Use Policy

### Student Devices

Students may bring their devices to school such as cell phones, smart phones, e-readers and tablets; however it is important that parents and students understand the responsibility of bringing such a device.

- Devices are not required. If a device is needed on an assignment the school will provide a device for your student use or a paper version of the assignment will be provided.
- Students bring devices at their own risk and do risk confiscation of such device if not used according to policy.

### **Student Device Usage Rules**

- Devices are only allowed during the following times
  - Before the 1st school bell of the day
  - During class instruction with the permission from the teacher for instructional purposes. Students who deviate or violate the teacher's classroom rules for the use, district, and campus policy may have their device confiscated
  - After school dismissal at 3:35 pm
- Devices visible and or used in restrooms or locker rooms is strictly prohibited
- During all other times, students who violate the district and campus policy or if they have the device visible and or causing a disruption may have their device confiscated regardless of the reason.
  - “My parent texted me.” or “My parent is calling me.” are **not acceptable reasons** for student device use during prohibited times.

### **Student Device Use Without Authorization**

If a student uses a telecommunication device without authorization during the school day, may result in the device being confiscated.

1st offense could result in a warning and device returned

2nd offense can result in disciplinary action.

3rd offense will result in one of the consequences, at the discretion of the administrator:

- a. Confiscation and requires a parent to pick up, or
- b. Confiscation and a \$15.00 fee

Beyond 3rd offense mandatory confiscation, parent is required to pick up, \$15.00 fee, and a discipline action.

The campus principal or disciplinarian may impose mandatory confiscation, \$15.00 fee, parental pickup and discipline action if the campus principal or disciplinarian based on the severity of the infraction and violation of student code of conduct

Confiscated telecommunications devices that are not retrieved by the student or the student's parents will be disposed of after the notice required by law. [See policy FNCE.]

## **Possession and Use of Personal Telecommunications Devices, Including Mobile Telephones**

For safety purposes, students on the Middle School Campus will be permitted to possess personal mobile telephones, devices and e-readers, these devices may remain on during the instructional day; however, these devices must be turned off during all testing, unless they are being used for approved instructional purposes.

A student must have approval to possess other telecommunication devices such as netbooks, laptops, and computer.

## **Prohibited Photography and Visual Recording**

Students or others may not tape or video record a class without the prior approval of the teacher and principal. **The use of mobile telephones or any device capable of capturing images is strictly prohibited in locker rooms or restroom areas while at school or at a school-related or school-sponsored event. [see Title 5 Offenses pg 37 of Student Code of Conduct]**

In limited circumstances and in accordance with law, a student's personal telecommunications device may be searched by authorized personnel. [See **Searches** on page 78 of the Student Handbook and policy FNF.]

Any disciplinary action will be in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. The district is not responsible for damaged, lost, or stolen telecommunications devices.

## **Possession and Use of Other Personal Electronic Devices**

Except as described below, students are not to possess or use personal electronic devices such as MP3 players, devices designated solely for video or audio recordings, DVD players, or device solely designated as a camera, unless prior permission has been obtained.

In limited circumstances and in accordance with law, a student's personal electronic device may be searched by authorized personnel. [See **Searches** on page 78 of the Student Handbook and policy FNF.]

Any disciplinary action will be in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. The district is not responsible for any damaged, lost, or stolen electronic device.

## **Instructional Use of Personal Telecommunications and Other Electronic Devices**

Refer to page 46 of the Student Handbook

## **Acceptable Use of District Technology Resources**

Refer to page 46 of the Student Handbook

## **Unacceptable and Inappropriate Use of Technology Resources**

Refer to page 47 of the Student Handbook