

**Hays CISD Middle School Campus**  
**Cell Phone/Electronics Policy**  
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This policy is intended to support student learning while minimizing student distractions and disruptions. Teachers are expected to incorporate technology as a part of their lesson plans as long as it supports the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Students may use their own technology (cell phones, laptops, iPad, etc.) to support the learning objectives in the classroom. The teacher has the final authority in his/her classroom of acceptable cell phone usage.

**Student use guidelines during the school day (8:00 AM-3:35 PM)**

- Students may use their personal electronics on campus before 8:00 AM and after 3:35 PM.
- Teachers have final authority in their classroom and will clearly communicate through a red or green indicator if student technology may be used during instructional time.
- Cell phones must be out of sight and silenced in the classroom unless otherwise instructed.

**Violation of electronics policy**

Students who violate the policy will have the following consequences.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Offense – Confiscation of the device and returned to student at the end of the day
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense – Confiscation of the device and returned when picked up by a parent or guardian listed on the student contact information
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense – Confiscation of the device, may charge a \$10 fee and returned when picked up by a parent or guardian listed on the student contact information  
Assigned In-School Suspension
- Multiple Offenses – Confiscation of the device, may charge a \$10 fee, picked up by a parent or guardian listed on the student contact information and disciplinary consequences

Students who fail to surrender devices will elevate consequences immediately. Confiscated phone must be picked up by the parent or guardian listed on the student contact information.

**Parent expectations**

Parents can help their child support this policy, the learning environment, and our school's mission by:

Discussing the school expectation with your child

Picking up confiscated devices in a timely manner between 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM