

**MSAD 12
STUDENT USE OF CELLULAR TELEPHONES AND OTHER
ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

The Board recognizes that many students possess cellular telephones and other electronic devices. These devices may not be used in any manner that disrupts the educational process, is illegal, or violates Board policies and/or school rules. MSAD 12 is not responsible for damage, loss or theft of such devices. The Superintendent is authorized to develop any school rules necessary to implement this policy.

Cross Reference: JIH – Questioning and Searches of Students
 JICIA – Weapons, Violence, Bullying and School Safety

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RULES FOR STUDENT USE OF CELLULAR TELEPHONES AND
OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES

1. Students are prohibited from using privately-owned electronic devices, including but not limited to cellular telephones, Blackberries, i Phones, handheld computers, MP3 players and electronic games during classes, study halls, assemblies and other school activities.
 - a. During Regular School hours, all such devices must be turned off, and concealed from plain view.
 - b. The only exception to this rule is when a teacher specifically authorizes students to use such a personal electronic device for a specific purpose (such as entering an assignment in a PDA).
 - c. If this rule is violated, the teacher will immediately confiscate the device for the remainder of the school day, and discipline may be imposed as provided below. In the case of repeated violations, the Superintendent and/or designee may develop and implement additional disciplinary action.
2. Students may use electronic devices on field trips and during extracurricular activities only if authorized by the staff member in charge.
3. The use of cameras in any type of electronic device is strictly prohibited in locker rooms, and restrooms. Classroom use, if approved by the classroom teacher is acceptable.
4. Any use of cellular telephones and other electronic devices that violates any Board policy/procedure or school rule is strictly prohibited. In addition, accessing, viewing, posting, forwarding, downloading or displaying any materials that are defamatory, abusive, obscene, vulgar, sexually explicit, sexually suggestive, threatening, discriminatory, harassing and/or illegal is prohibited.
5. Student cellular telephones and other electronic devices may be subject to search if there is reasonable suspicion that a student is violating Board policies/procedures and/or school rules.

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- a. A building administrator may maintain possession of an electronic device as long as is reasonably necessary for evidentiary purposes.
7. Students violating these rules will be subject to discipline, which may include:

- a. Not being allowed to bring electronic devices to school;
 - a. Sanctions ranging from detention to expulsion from school depending upon the nature of the offense and the student's disciplinary record.
8. Evidence of illegal activities involving electronic devices will be referred to appropriate law enforcement authorities and a building administrator may give a device to law enforcement authorities upon request.

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