



## 2021-2022 Cell Phone Expectations

Cell phones and personal digital devices are NOT required resources for students at Art & Science Academy Middle School. However, we know that having a cell phone has become more common for our students each year. One of the most frequently asked questions from our students is about cell phone use at school. These guidelines are intended to provide clarity to students, families, and staff regarding our expectations for the coming school year.

The following expectations are to be followed for those students who choose to bring a cell phone to school:

1. Cell phones and personal digital devices will remain in the student's locker during the academic day from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.
2. Students who need to be in contact with their family can ask permission from a staff member to use one of our school phones. Parents are welcome to contact our main office if there is a message that needs to be relayed to their student.
3. Students assume the risk of damage, theft, or loss when choosing to bring a phone to school.
4. Cell phones may be used during class with prior teacher permission.
5. Cell phone use of any kind is not permitted in locker rooms or bathrooms.
6. Using a cell phone to record or take photos/videos of staff members or other students is not allowed without permission.
7. Using social media, apps, or any other function of a cell phone/device, such as recording or taking photos, to spread rumors, bully, harass, make fun of, exclude, or create a disruption in school or that has a nexus to school is not permitted.
8. Sharing or asking classmates for inappropriate content is not permitted.

Consequences for students out of compliance will be as follows:

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| First Offense   | - Device is confiscated and held for the day; parent contacted  |
| Second Offense  | - Device is confiscated and held until parent picks it up outside of academic day<br>- Meet with administration               |
| Third Offense - | - Device is confiscated and held until parent pick up<br>- Cell phone plan is created with parent, student and administration |