

Hardin County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in April	Descriptor Term: <h2 style="text-align: center;">Use of Personal Communication Devices and Electronic Devices</h2>	Descriptor Code: 6.312	Issued Date: 07/10/17
		Rescinds: 6.312	Issued: 06/08/15

1 Students may possess personal communication devices and personal electronic devices so long as such
 2 devices are turned off and stored in backpacks, purses, or personal carry-alls. Such devices include, but
 3 are not limited to, wearable technology such as eye glasses, rings, or watches that have the capability to
 4 record, live stream, or interact with wireless technology; cell phones; laptops; tablets; and mp3 players.
 5 However, a teacher may grant permission for the use of these devices to assist with instruction in his/her
 6 classroom, and teacher are encouraged to integrate the devices into their course work. The principal or
 7 his/her designee may also grant a student permission to use such a device at the principal/designee
 8 discretion.

9 Unauthorized use or improper storage of a device will result in confiscation of the device. A student in
 10 violation of this policy is subject to disciplinary action.

11 Use of personal cellular data network plans in not permitted to be used to access the Internet at any time.
 12 Only HCS Guest wireless should be used to access the Internet during school hours.

13 Students are prohibited from using communication or electronic devices in any manner that interferes
 14 with or is disruptive of the education process, which violates the security or integrity of educational
 15 material or tests, or which invades the privacy of students, employees, volunteers or visitors.

16 Use of cameras on personal communication devices is strictly prohibited on school property or at school
 17 functions unless authorized by the principal or his/her designee or complete a classroom assignment. A
 18 student in violation of this policy is subject to disciplinary action.

19 **DISCIPLINE PROCEDURE**

20 1st time – Phone confiscated for three (3) days.

21 2nd time – Phone confiscated for five (5) days.

22 3rd time – Phone confiscated for fifteen (15) days.

23 4th time – Assigned to Alternative School. Device confiscated for remainder of school year.

24 If a student refuses to turn in their cell phone to an administrator when directed, the student will be
 25 assigned Alternative School for a period of time.

26 When the device is confiscated, it must be complete and intact.

27 If a cell phone is confiscated in the classroom during a time when a grade is given the student will receive
 28 a “0” for the grade and the above policy will be enforced.

1 PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

2 Personal electronic devices such as CD players, gaming devices (PSP, etc.) or MP3 players may be
3 stored in backpacks, purses or personal carry-alls. However, the use of device during school hours is
4 strictly forbidden unless authorized by the principal or his/her designee. Use or improper storage of the
5 personal electronic device will result in confiscation of the device until such time as it may be released
6 to the student's parents or guardian. A student in violation of this policy is subject to disciplinary action.