

Antioch Upper Grade School

Inspiring a Passion for Personal Excellence

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AUGS Cell Phone Policy

We promote the reasonable use of cell phones and electronic devices in the classroom for educational purposes. **All cell phones and similar electronic devices must be kept powered-off and out-of-sight during the regular school day unless:**

- (a) The supervising teacher or staff member grants permission or restrictions *at no time should a supervising teacher or staff member allow students to use social media and related apps along with taking photos and videos unless given the “green light” by Administration
- (b) Use of the device is provided in a student’s IEP or 504 Plan
- (c) It is needed in an emergency that threatens the safety of students, staff, or other individuals

Electronic devices, headphones, or other attachments should NOT be visible or used in the hallways. They should NOT be present in locker rooms or restrooms. Furthermore, in the classroom, the device should only be used at a volume that will allow just the user to hear said device and will allow them to hear any information that is being communicated to them. Use of cellular devices, smartphones, video recording devices, personal digital assistance (PDA), or similar electronic devices are intended to enhance the classroom experience and should not interfere with the learning or safety of any individual. At no time should cell phones and related electronic devices be present in the ASDA room.

These devices may also be used by students as an incentive or motivation that is clearly established by the teacher or staff member. This procedure applies to all afterschool activities and sports. However, the supervising teacher, coach, and club sponsor may grant the use of cell phone and related electronic devices at afterschool activities and sports.

Use of these devices outside of the permitted areas will result in the following ODR steps:

First Incident = phone confiscated by a staff member or the office and parent communication

Second Incident = phone confiscated by a staff member or the office, parent communication and parent pick-up required

Third Incident = phone confiscated by a staff member or the office, parent communication and parent pick-up required and 1 Full Day of ASDA