Uniforms

In schools where a schoolwide uniform is required, the principal, staff, and parents/guardians of the individual school shall jointly select the specific uniform, and uniform combinations to be worn. The principal or designee shall give parents/guardians at least two weeks' notice before a school uniform policy is implemented.

Parents/guardians shall be informed of their right to have their child exempted from a school uniform policy. A student exempted from participation in a school uniform policy by his/her parents/guardians must comply with this regulation and any supplemental site-specific dress code adopted at the site level.

The CEO or designee shall establish criteria for determining student eligibility for financial assistance when purchasing uniforms.

The CEO or designee shall establish a method for recycling or exchanging uniforms as students outgrow them.

Students who participate in a nationally recognized youth organization shall be allowed to wear organization uniforms on days when the organization has a scheduled meeting.

III. APPROPRIATE USE OF CELLULAR PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES

The District is committed to providing a safe, positive and productive learning environment for its students. The District recognizes that, depending on how they are used, cellular phones and other electronic devices can be either a valuable learning tool or a source of disruption in the learning environment. In order to maintain a secure and orderly learning environment, student use and possession of cellular phones and other electronic devices shall conform to the appropriate use standards of this policy.

Students may possess cellular phones and other electronic devices on school property and school-sponsored transportation, as long as the student's use of the cell phone or electronic device is limited to appropriate uses as defined by this policy. Any other use of cellular phones and other electronic devices on school property, while on school-sponsored transportation, or while engaging in school-sponsored activities is prohibited. When not using their cell phone or other electronic device for an authorized, appropriate purpose, students are responsible for keeping their cell phones and electronic devices powered completely off (not simply in a "vibrate," "silent," or "airplane" mode) and stored securely in a purse, backpack or locker.

Authorized Uses of Cell Phones and Electronic Devices:

The District has determined that the following uses of cell phones or electronic devices by student may be appropriate:

- a) Appropriate use of cell phones and electronic devices as specifically authorized by a teacher for the purpose of assisting in an educational process. A teacher's authorization to use a cell phone or electronic device is considered to cease upon notification by the teacher, a student's completion of the specifically authorized task or a student's dismissal from the classroom, whichever occurs first.
- b) Appropriate use of cell phones and electronic devices before the beginning or after the end of the instructional school day.
- c) Communications with a student's immediate family members in the event of a Districtwide or schoolwide emergency as defined by the building administrator.
- d) Communications with a student's immediate family members authorized by a building staff member and that take place under the supervision of the authorizing staff member.
- e) Use of cell phones or electronic devices as authorized pursuant to an Individual Education Plan (IEP), a Section 504 Accommodation Plan, or a Health Care/Medical Plan with supportive documentation from the students physician.

Unauthorized Uses of Cell Phones and Electronic Devices

Although students are empowered to use cell phones and other electronic devices in specific, appropriate ways as described above, students are never authorized to use a cell phone or electronic device for the following purposes:

- a) In violation of any other section of the Student Rights and Responsibilities, including, but not limited to the District's prohibitions against cheating, posting or distributing materials that disrupt the educational process, intimidation, threatening to injure or harm others, use of profane or abusive language, hazing, bullying, disrupting the school environment, and failure to adhere to school culture or directives of school personnel.
- b) In any manner that creates a disruption on or impacts the safe operation of school transportation.
- c) To commit a crime, under federal or state law.
- d) To violate another person's reasonable expectation of privacy by using cell phones or other electronic devices in locker rooms, restrooms, or any other changing areas.

e) To take photographs, audio recordings, or video recordings of other individuals, including other students, teachers, administrators, staff members, or members of the community without the explicit authorization of all individuals being photographed or recorded.

Corrective Action

Any student who chooses to possess or use a cell phone or electronic device in a matter that does not conform to the appropriate use expectations of this policy may be subject to any of the following:

- a) A verbal reminder of expectations for appropriate use of cell phones and electronic devices and a request that a student modify their cell phone or electronic device use to meet the expectation of this policy.
- b) Confiscation of the cell phone or electronic device by a teacher or administrator and return or the cell phone or electronic device at the end of the class period.
- c) Confiscation of the cell phone or electronic device by a building administrator to be identified and stored in a safe location in the building's main office until the end of the school day.
- d) Written notification to the student's parent, guardian, or legal custodian by the building administrator.
- e) Confiscation of the cell phone or electronic device by a building administrator to be identified and stored in a safe location in the building's main office until the student's parent, guardian, or legal custodian comes to the school to retrieve the cell phone or electronic device.

Repeated or chronic violations of the cell phone and electronic device acceptable use policy constitute a Level 2Q offense.

Refusal to surrender a cellular phone or electronic device to a teacher or administrator attempting to confiscate it pursuant to this policy constitutes a Level 2I offense.

Responsibility/Liability

Any student who chooses to bring a cellular phone or other electronic device to school shall do so at his or her own risk and shall be personally responsible for the security of his or her cellular phone or electronic device. The District and its employees will assume no responsibility or liability for loss, theft, damage or vandalism to a cellular phone or other electronic device brought onto school property, or for the unauthorized use of any such device.