

Potential Update to MS/HS Handbooks Regarding Cell Phones/Smart Watches/Head Phones

Cell Phone/Smart Watch Policy

We appreciate cell phones/smart watches as effective communication devices and possible resources for information. However, during the hours of 7:55 - 3:15, the expectation for cell phones/smart watches is that they are stored with the classroom teacher in a designated location at the start of each class period or they are left in lockers. Students may have access to their phones during passing time and at lunch. **Cell phones/smart watches have become a major distraction to the learning environment at Perry Middle School and Perry High School in recent years.** The school is equipped with phones in the office and in every classroom for student, staff, and parent communication.

We will follow these consequences for cell phone/smart watch use in the classroom:

1st Offense: Verbal Warning. Cell phone/smart watch is turned on silent and stored.

2nd Offense: Cell phone/smart watch is confiscated by the teacher and returned to the student at the end of the period.

3rd Offense: Cell phone/smart watch is confiscated by the teacher and turned into the office. Student may pick up the phone/smart watch at the end of the day.

4th Offense: Cell phone/smart watch is confiscated by the teacher and turned into the office. Student's parent/guardian will be notified and required to pick up the confiscated phone/smart watch in the office.

5th+ Offense: Cell phone/smart watch is confiscated by the teacher and turned into the office. A parent meeting will occur. Future problems with cell phones/smart watches may include after school detentions, ISS, individual student phone turned into the office daily, etc.

The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items. We recommend that students leave electronic devices at home.

Teachers may request administration approval to temporarily use cell phones in the classroom for a specific purpose or activity.

New technology that is released may be added to this policy immediately if it is causing distractions to the learning environment.

Headphones/Airpods/Other Similar Devices

Headphones/airpods are not to be used during class time without permission from the classroom teacher.

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We will follow these consequences for headphones/airpods in the classroom:

1st Offense: Verbal Warning. Item is put away.

2nd Offense: Item is confiscated by the teacher and returned to the student at the end of the period.

3rd Offense: Item is confiscated by the teacher and turned into the office. Student may pick up the item at the end of the day.

4th Offense: Item is confiscated by the teacher and turned into the office. Student's parent/guardian will be notified and required to pick up the confiscated phone/smart watch in the office.

5th+ Offense: A parent meeting will occur. Future problems with these items may include after school detentions, ISS, items turned into the office daily, etc.

The school is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged items.