

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION AND ENTERTAINMENT DEVICES

No student shall bring or possess a remotely activated paging device on any property used for school purposes without the written permission of the Principal. Permission shall not be granted unless and until the student has established a reasonable basis for possessing the device.

Use and activation of cell phones and other electronic devices is prohibited during school hours. Devices include, but are not limited to:

- Cell phones
- PDAs
- Mp3 players
- I-pods
- Walkman/CD players
- Video game devices

Permission for use and/or activation may be granted by the Principal or classroom teacher on a case-by-case basis if: (1) a student establishes a reasonable need for such action, or (2) if the teacher determines that such devices will be used for classroom lessons or activities.

Devices used and/or activated in violation of this policy will be confiscated. The devices will be released only to the parent/guardian of the student. The Old Tappan School District assumes no responsibility for electronic devices either during school time, before school or at a school sponsored activity

Cell phones may not be used at any time in locker rooms and/or bathrooms. The use of the video/picture features of certain cell phones is strictly prohibited at all times in the school building, on school grounds or at school sponsored activities or events.

Implementation

The Board directs the Superintendent to develop regulations to implement this policy.

Legal References: N.J.S.A. 2C:33-19 Paging devices, possession by students
N.J.S.A. 18A:37-1 Submission of students to authority

Cross References: *5131 Conduct/discipline

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.

Key Words

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