



2021-22 MISD Student Electronic Devices Policy (All Grade Levels)

Possession and Use of Personal Telecommunications Devices, Including Cell Phones

For safety purposes, the district permits students to possess personal mobile telephones; however, these devices must remain turned off during the instructional day, including during all testing, unless they are being used for approved instructional purposes.

The use of cell phones or any device capable of capturing images is strictly prohibited in locker rooms or restroom areas while at school or at a school-related or school-sponsored event.

If a student uses a telecommunications device without authorization during the school day, the device will be confiscated. ***Repeated violation of this rule may result in the student losing phone privileges for the remainder of the school year.***

Students are not allowed to contact parents about leaving school due to illness; parents will be contacted by the school nurse or school secretary if the student is ill.

Confiscated devices will not be returned to the student; a parent may schedule a conference with the principal to discuss the reasons the device was confiscated, and arrange parent or guardian retrieval of the device.

Confiscated telecommunications devices that are not retrieved by the student or the student's parent will be disposed of after the notice required by law. [See policy FNCE.]

In limited circumstances and in accordance with law, a student's personal telecommunications device may be searched by authorized personnel. [See policy FNF.]

A student must have approval to possess other electronic devices such as netbooks, laptops, tablets, or other portable computers. Misuse of personal devices (performing non-instructional tasks during class time, viewing or showing others material that violates the student code of conduct, etc.) will result in temporary, or permanent, loss of any privileges associated with permission to use personal devices.

Any disciplinary action, including consequences for students who refuse to turn in their device to a staff member who requests it, will be in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. ***The district is not responsible for damaged, lost, or stolen electronic devices.***

Possession and Use of District-Issued Devices

Students who use district-issued devices inappropriately will forfeit access to their school device for a period determined by the principal. Duration will be determined using multiple factors, including the severity of the infraction; extent of the impact on the school community; and repeat offenses of the same violation. During suspension of electronic device privileges, students will be required to complete all assignments on paper. A district device will be loaned to the student in the event district, state, or national testing occurs during the electronics use suspension.