



ARBOR PRIMARY

CELL PHONE AND DEVICES POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the appropriate use of cell phones and electronic devices within Arbor in order to maintain a safe and focused learning environment.

I. General Guidelines:

- Cell phones and electronic devices are **not permitted to be used during class hours**, including instructional time, unless explicitly authorized by the teacher for educational purposes.
- Cell phones should be turned off or set to silent mode and stored in backpacks, lockers, or designated areas during school hours.
- In case of emergency, students may use their cell phones with the permission and supervision of school staff.
- Smart watches are not to be worn at school. Students can wear analog or digital watches

II. Educational Use:

- Teacher Authorization: - Teachers may allow the use of electronic devices for educational purposes during class, under their supervision.
- BYOD (Bring Your Own Device): - Students may be allowed to bring their own devices for specific educational activities, following teacher and school guidelines.

III. Social Media and Communication:

- Social media usage and personal communication via cell phones are strictly prohibited during school hours.
- The use of cell phones for bullying, harassment, or any form of inappropriate communication is strictly prohibited, and violators will face disciplinary actions.



IV. Consequences for Violations:

- **First Offense:** - Warning and confiscation of the device, to be returned at the end of the school day.

- **Repeated Offenses:** - Progressive disciplinary actions, including parental involvement, detention, or temporary suspension of device privileges.

V. Lost or Stolen Devices:

Students must report any lost or stolen devices to the school administration immediately.

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

VI. Review and Updates:

The school will review and update the Cell Phone and Devices Policy annually, taking into consideration changes in technology and educational needs.

VII. Parental Cooperation:

Parents are encouraged to support the school's Cell Phone and Devices Policy and communicate with teachers and administrators regarding any concerns or issues.

Note: This policy is subject to change, and all students, parents, and staff are expected to be familiar with and adhere to the most current version of the policy.