

## CELL PHONES – EARBUDS - SMARTWATCHES

The possession by students of cell phones, iPods, earbuds, smartwatches, and similar devices is strictly prohibited during the school day. The usage of cell phones in any manner including: ringing, vibrating, text messaging, reading of text messaging, picture taking and videoing is strictly prohibited.

### **Upon entering the school:**

- To avoid distraction and confrontation, students will turn off their cell phone and optimally place them and all other devices into their lockers.
- Students do not need their cell phone on their person during the school day. This has created problems and distractions.
- If a student does not place their devices in their lockers, there will be a device holder in each classroom.
- At the beginning of each class, students are to place their cell phones and devices in the holder.
- If a student is found using an electronic device during the school day in a classroom, hallway, lavatory, cafeteria, gym or any other area of the school building, the device will be confiscated and placed in the main office.
- The device will not be returned to the student until a detention is served.
- If a student refuses to hand over a device, there will be an automatic suspension in addition to a detention.
- Students who continue to violate this policy will serve in-school suspension.
- Please note that the taking of pictures, recordings, or videos in the school is an automatic suspension and may be subject to law enforcement involvement.