

## Cell Phone Contract for Students in grades 7-12

**Student use of cell phones, PDA's, or other electronic devices during the school day is a privilege.**

Adherence to the guidelines below is essential to maintaining an appropriate academic environment and the integrity of the school. **Abuse of this privilege will result in consequences beginning with** confiscation of device, parent conference, suspension, or loss of other privileges such as participation in school trips, internships, proms, and potentially graduation exercises. **This policy will be enforced, regardless of whether you sign the contract or not.**

Classroom use of mobile devices is at the sole discretion of the classroom teacher. Students who violate these policies may face disciplinary actions, such as detention or temporary confiscation of the device(s).

**Designated times for mobile device use is as follows:** before and after school, homeroom, Grab & Go and during lunch. Mobile devices are not permitted during study hall. In the classroom, instructors may permit mobile devices only during structured, preplanned and teacher monitored educational activities that require the use of a mobile device. In addition, there are to be no headphones at any time during class time.

Students using cell phones/PDA's or other functions on electronic devices in any manner that disrupts the educational environment, from within or from outside the classroom, or violates the rights of others, including, but not limited to, using the device in violation of our academic honesty policy, violating school conduct rules, harassing or bullying staff or students, photographing or video recording or using their device for unlawful purposes will be subject to more severe disciplinary action, up to and including suspension and/or expulsion and may, if applicable be reported to the Pittsburg Police Department.

The following consequences will be applied to students who do not comply with the mobile device policy.

**First offense:** the student will be required to hand the mobile device into the office with a phone lock function applied. The device will stay in the office for the remainder of the school day and the student may pick up the mobile device at the close of the school day.

**Second Offense:** the student will be required to hand the mobile device into the office with a phone lock function applied. The device will stay in the office for the remainder of the school day and the student may pick up the mobile device at the close of the school day. The parent(s) will be notified, and the student will lose his or her mobile device/cell phone privileges for 5 school days.

**Third Offense:** the student will be required to hand the mobile device into the office with a phone lock function applied. The student may pick up the mobile device at the close of the school day. Parents will be required to meet with the principal and the offending student before the student will have privileges reinstated. The loss of mobile device privileges will be a minimum of one month.

***\*It should be noted that refusal to surrender a cell phone or other electronic device when directed to do so by a school staff member, teacher, or administrator is insubordinate behavior and is punishable by suspension and exclusion from school events.***

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Student signature

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Parent signature