

Two Rivers Public School District Bylaws & Policies

5136 - CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Students are generally prohibited from using or displaying in plain sight electronic communication devices (ECDs) including, but not limited to, cell phones and pagers during the school day, in school buildings and vehicles, and at all school sponsored activities. However, the Board of Education recognizes the value of students maintaining communication with their parents/guardians and other appropriate persons for health, safety and educational purposes. Therefore, possession and use of ECDs may be permitted only if use by the student is determined to be for a medical, school, educational, vocational, or other legitimate use. Such possession or use of an ECD may not, in any way:

- A. disrupt the educational process in the School District;
- B. endanger the health or safety of the student or anyone else;
- C. invade the rights of others at school;
- D. involve illegal or prohibited conduct of any kind.

Possession of a cellular telephone or other ECD by a student is a privilege, which may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the terms of this policy, or otherwise engages in misuse of this privilege.

Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action against the student, up to and including expulsion.

The use of an ECD in locker rooms or restrooms is prohibited.

Use of cell phones and electronic communication devices shall comply with Policy [9151](#).

Cameras or electronic devices shall not be used:

- A. In areas where one would reasonably expect privacy, i.e. locker rooms, bathrooms, etc.
- B. To communicate test answers, photograph tests, or engage in any other conduct that enables students to cheat
- C. To share or post personal information about, or images of, any other student or staff member without permission from that student or staff member
- D. To engage in cyber-bullying – placing cell phone calls or sending text messages that ridicule, threaten or harass another student
- E. To take, disseminate, transfer or share obscene, pornographic, lewd or otherwise illegal images or photographs

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Any student possessing an ECD shall be responsible for its care. At no time shall the District be responsible for preventing theft, loss or damage to any ECD.

The District Administrator shall prepare guidelines consistent with this policy.

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