

Public School 154

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Access Creates Opportunity

P.S. 154Q'S POLICY FOR USE OF CELL PHONES ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

As of March 2, 2015, students are permitted to bring cell phones and other electronic devices in to the school. P.S. 154Q has adopted the following policy in consultation with the School Leadership Team.

A. The use of cell phones and other electronic devices at school is subject to the restrictions below.

Electronic devices:

1. May not be turned on or used while on school property, during before and after school programs, or field trips.
2. May not be used in bathrooms, hallways, the lunchroom or auditorium.
3. May not be turned on or used during school fire drills or other emergency preparedness exercises.
4. May not be turned on or used during the administration of any school quiz, test, or examination unless such use is contained in an IEP or 504 Plan. The use of electronic devices during administration of state standardized examinations is governed by State Education Department Rules.

B. Confiscation

If school officials see a student using a device during the school day, the following measures may be taken:

- Warning to end use of the device, turn it off and put it away.
- Confiscation of item and return at end of school day.
- Confiscation of item and return following parent conference.
- Confiscation of item and return following student entering into behavioral contract.
- Revocation of privilege to bring item to school.

**P.S. 154Q Cell
Phone Policy**

**Don't See It, Don't
Hear It
Turn it off!**

**Use the Main Office
for
communication.**

C. Discipline

Students who use cell phones in violation of any provision of the DOE's Discipline Code, the school's policy, Chancellor Regulation A-413, and/or the DOE's Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy will be subject to discipline in accordance with the guidance interventions and disciplinary responses set forth in the Discipline Code.

D. Lost/Stolen Electronic Devices

Students are responsible for their electronic devices and should take measures to ensure that their devices are safely stored in backpacks.

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

We want to remind you that the best way to communicate with your child is through the main office. Please call us at 718-591-1500 if you need to get in touch with your child. Your children may also ask to come to the main office to use the office phone to call a parent/guardian if necessary.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call us at 718-591-1500.

Thank you for your cooperation!