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**SCHOOL-BASED POLICY OF WAGNER MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR USE OF CELL PHONES, COMPUTING DEVICES, AND PORTABLE MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEMS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY**

Students are permitted to bring the following electronic items to school: 1) cell phones; 2) laptops, tablets, iPads and other similar computing devices (“computing devices”); and 3) portable music and entertainment systems, such as iPods, MP3 players, PSP, and Nintendo DS. While students are free to do so, we continue to urge parents to consider not having their children bring these devices to school.

**School Policy**

Cell phones, computing devices and portable music and entertainment systems are not to be used while on school property and must be turned off and secured out of sight prior to entering the school building.

Cell phones, computing devices, and portable music and entertainment systems may not be turned on or used during instructional time, except for instructional and educational purposes and with the explicit permission and approval of the teacher.

Cell phones, computing devices, and portable music and entertainment systems may not be turned on or used during after-school programs or field trips, unless with the explicit permission and approval of a teacher, administrator or other school staff.

Cell phones, computing devices and portable music and entertainment systems may not be turned on or used during the administration of any school quiz, test or examination.

Use of cell phones, computing devices, portable music and entertainment systems and other electronic devices during the administration of state standardized examinations is governed by State Education Department Rules.

**Confiscation and return of cell phones, computing devices and portable music and entertainment systems**

If students use cell phones, computing devices, and/or portable music and entertainment systems in violation of the school policy the device will be confiscated and returned as described below:

- First Violation: Confiscated until dismissal, and returned to student at the end of the school day.
- Second Violation: Confiscated, returned to your child at the end of the next school day and parent/guardian will be contacted.
- Third Violation: Confiscated and returned only to the parent/guardian in person.
- Fourth Violation: Privilege to bring devices to school will be revoked.

NOTE: Each time a device is confiscated it will be recorded on file and secured in the Dean’s office.

**NOTE: The school is not liable for lost, stolen, and/or damaged cell phones, computing devices, and portable music and entertainment systems.**

**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 (“ISUSP”) will be subject to discipline in accordance with the guidance interventions and disciplinary responses set forth in the Discipline Code.