

GOLDEN MEADOW MIDDLE SCHOOL

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The Lafourche Parish School Board and Golden Meadow Middle School recognizes the proliferation of Personal Electronic Communication devices and their utility in enhancing safety, security, and the educational experience. With this in mind Golden Meadow Middle School is adopting a policy that will allow student usage of ECD's within certain strict parameters.

An ECD includes, but is not limited to, Laptop computers, iPads, Netbooks, mp3 Players, Tablet Devices, Smart phones, and Cell Phones.

Students will be permitted to use ECD's on the School premises and at school sponsored activities under the following conditions.

1. ECD's may be used in classrooms for educational purposes at the discretion of the classroom teacher.
2. Students who bring ECD's to school are responsible for keeping them turned off stored out of sight during all classes unless specifically allowed by the teacher.
3. Cell phones or other technology devices are prohibited during test/exams. The presence of an electronic device will be considered testing irregularity with school consequences.
4. Photography or videography to receive or transport images is **PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES** in locker rooms, restrooms and other similar private changing areas.
5. Students are responsible for using their ECD's in a safe and secure manner ensuring use does not create a safety hazard for themselves or others.
6. All personal devices and equipment are brought into the school at the student's own risk. The District or school is **NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS** including theft and or damage. It is your responsibility to secure your device.
7. Students will not be allowed to bring or use charging devices for their ECD's.
8. Students agree that, while within the school campus, they will access the Internet only via the District provided Wi-Fi and not via any cellular (3g, 4g, LTE) services or other internet Wi-Fi connection. Students will be monitored to be on the school provided Wi-Fi.

Any student found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with established district and school procedures as well as assessment of the cost of damage to hardware/software where applicable. Students and parents shall be informed of this policy and related consequences for inappropriate ECD use annually.

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Cell Phone Policy

The school will be divided into “green” and “red” zones. A green zone is an area where cell phones/electronics will be permitted. A red zone denotes an area where cell phones/electronics are **NOT** permitted.

| GREEN ZONES | RED ZONES |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Before School Common Areas | Restrooms |
| Recess Time Common Areas | Locker Rooms |
| Classroom Only at direction of teacher | ISS |
| | Cafeteria |
| | Field House Dressing areas |
| | Transitions between classes |
| | Classroom without teacher direction |

1. Cell phones or other technology devices are prohibited during test/exams. The presence of an electronic device will be considered a testing irregularity with school consequences.
2. Electronic bullying or harassment will not be tolerated and will be subject to disciplinary and/or bullying policies.
3. Photography or videography to receive or transport images is **PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES** in locker rooms, restrooms and other similar private areas.
4. Cell phone or any other technology infractions will follow the LPSD student code of conduct.
5. The LPSD internet/email use agreement will be strictly enforced. All school/district/classroom rules must be followed.
6. The school/district assumes no liability for loss, damage, or theft to any phone/device brought to school for any purpose.
7. Students agree that, while within the school campus, they will access the Internet only via the District provided Wi-Fi and not via any cellular (3g, 4g, LTE) services or other internet Wi-Fi connection. Students will be monitored to be on the school provided Wi-Fi.
8. *The use of social media will be prohibited during green zone times. Students can call or text their parents to communicate at green zone time, but social media will be prohibited during green zone times/areas. Approved activities during green zone times are listening to school appropriate music, school appropriate games, text, call, research, reading a school appropriate book, draw, or activity approved with permission of the school administration to achieve the school mission and vision.

CONSEQUENCES

1st Offense – Documented Warning, recess detention, confiscate device.

2nd Offense – Office Referral and 1 day ISS, confiscate device

3rd Offense – Office Referral and 2 days ISS, confiscate device

4th Offense- Office Referral and 2 days ISS with loss of cell phone privileges

The Administration of Golden Meadow Middle School reserves the right to amend, revise or revoke this policy at any time deemed necessary by the Principal or District Level Authorities.

*amended 2/26/2018 Social Media is defined as but not limited to Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Group Me, Flickr, Twitter, etc.