

# **Mt. Diablo USD**

## **Administrative Regulation**

### **Possession Of Cellular Phones And Other Personal Electronic Signaling Devices**

#### AR 5131.3

#### **Students**

Students are not permitted to use any type of electronic signaling device during class time, passing periods or breaks without the permission of the school administration. The electronic signaling device must remain turned off during the instructional school day. If a student receives permission by school administration to use an electronic signaling device, it shall not disrupt the educational program. If disruption occurs, the school staff shall direct the student to turn off the device and/or confiscate it.

If a school staff member finds it necessary to confiscate a device, parent/guardian will be notified promptly and the device will be returned in accordance with school rules after the administrator or designee has consulted with the student's parent/guardian. The school is not responsible for lost or stolen electronic signaling devices. Students are to make arrangements with their parents/guardians to contact the school office when attempting to reach them during the school day.

The following are inappropriate uses of electronic signaling devices: harassment, threats, intimidation, electronic forgery, cyberbullying/cyberthreats, invasion of personal rights, cheating on tests/exams, or other forms of illegal behavior during the instructional and non- instructional day. Students are not to use material or text message to invade personal privacy or harass another person, or disrupt the instructional day, or engage in dishonest acts.

Students who act in violation of this policy shall be subject to the district's progressive discipline as follows:

1. Initial violation - electronic signaling device will be confiscated by school staff and secured in a safe location. The electronic signaling device will be returned to student at the conclusion of the staff workday;
2. Second violation - electronic signaling device will be confiscated and secured in a safe location. The electronic signaling device will not be returned to the student unless and until the student's parent or guardian meets with school administrative staff for the purpose of clarifying this policy;
3. Third violation - the electronic signaling device will be confiscated and secured in a safe location. The electronic signaling device will not be returned to the student unless and until the student's parent or guardian provides written assurance that the student will no longer be allowed to possess the electronic signaling device during the instructional

day;

4. Fourth violation - the electronic signaling device will be confiscated and secured in a safe location. The student will be subject to suspension;
5. Fifth violation - the electronic signaling device will be confiscated and secured in a safe location. The student will be subjected to loss of school privileges;
6. Any further violations will subject the student to disciplinary action as set forth in Board AR 5144.1.

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