

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CARSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**POLICY No. 546
STUDENTS**

ELECTRONIC DEVICE USAGE

NRS 392.4637 requires the Board of Trustees to adopt a policy concerning the use and possession by students of pagers, cellular telephones, and other similar electronic devices (collectively, “electronic devices”) used for communication while on the premises of a public school or at any activity sponsored by a public school. ¹

Students may possess electronic devices, provided that such devices do not disrupt the educational program or school activity. Any disruptive, inappropriate or illegal usage of any electronic devices will result in disciplinary consequences as set out below.

At the high school level, electronic devices shall be turned off or muted and out of sight during class time unless the student is specifically instructed otherwise by the teacher or site administrator.

At the middle and elementary school levels, electronic devices shall be turned off and out of sight during regular school hours. The site administrator will identify the appropriate time for the use of electronic devices before the start of school and after school, or in conjunction with extra-curricular activities.

The use of electronic devices capable of capturing audio or video recordings is strictly prohibited in restrooms or locker rooms of any school building or in the restrooms or locker rooms of any school sponsored event or sports activity.

During state or other high-stakes testing, personal electronic devices must not be in a student’s possession. Should any electronic device cause disruption during an assessment, the student’s test will be invalidated and he or she may be suspended immediately.

In the event a student violates the provisions of this policy the following actions will be taken when deemed appropriate:

¹ Policy 218, entitled “Internet Safety and Network Acceptable Use,” addresses use of the District’s network, digital resources, and communication devices. This policy addresses electronic privately owned devices possessed by students. To the extent students use the District’s digital resources, the provisions of Policy 218 and its accompanying regulations also apply.

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- First Occurrence: Warning and confiscation of the device for the day.
- Second Occurrence: The device is confiscated and a parent must meet with a school official to claim the electronic device.
- Additional Occurrence: Repeated violations will result in further disciplinary action(s), to include suspension, as set forth in Board Policy 525 and implementing Regulations.

The District will not be held liable and responsible for any damage, lost, or stolen privately owned electronic device.

The substance of this policy shall be included in the Student Handbook and Code of Conduct.

Reference: NRS 392.4637; NRS 392.461
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