

2015-2016

WEST ELK SCHOOLS

USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES

As per handbook policy:

The use of radios, tape/cassette players, CD players, MP3, iPods, etc., will be allowed (with headphones) before school, during lunch, and after school in the commons area, by teacher discretion in the classroom, and on activity trips with the approval of sponsors. Parents/guardians must sign that they are responsible for the content of these electronic devices, and that the school is not liable for device security.

Students in Kindergarten up to 6th grade must check cell phones in at the office, and will not be allowed to possess cell phones during the school day.

For students in grades 7-12 that possess cellular phones they may be used in the commons area, under the following guidelines: Before school, at lunch, during break, and after school. At all other times, the phone is not to be seen, heard, or used during the school day without office permission. If a violation occurs, the following steps will be followed:

1st violation—temporary confiscation, phone may be picked up from classroom teacher.

2nd violation—temporary confiscation, detention assigned, phone may be picked up at the end of the day from the office.

3rd violation—temporary confiscation, detention assigned, parent/guardian will be notified by the office that they must pick the phone up at the office.

Consequences for violations beyond 3rd time or for multiple violations from different classrooms will be determined by the administration and may include suspension, loss of privilege for an extended time, and parent conference. Any misuse, such as cheating, inappropriate content, or the sharing of inappropriate information will result in immediate confiscation and loss of privilege for the remainder of the school year or longer. Parents will be notified that they must pick up phone and law enforcement will be contacted when warranted.

I, the parent/guardian, have read the above policy on the use of electronic devices at school. I agree that my child be allowed to use his/her electronic device as per policy guidelines and that West Elk is not responsible for its content or security. I understand that if inappropriate content is noticed on any electronic device, it will be dealt with accordingly. I also understand that after a second violation, or for misuse, I will be required to pick up my child's electronic device and that any inappropriate misuse may result in immediate loss of privilege which I would support.