

I. PURPOSE

Electronic devices in the classroom can serve both to enhance and disrupt a student's learning opportunities. Athlos Academy acknowledges that the landscape of educational technology is ever-changing and has put the following policy in place to properly govern the permitted uses of electronic devices at Athlos Academy.

II. DEFINITIONS

- A. Electronic Device: A device that is used for audio, video, or text communication or any other type of computer or computer-like instrument.

III. POLICY

- A. Students of Athlos Academy may possess electronic devices at school subject to the following conditions:

1. Students may carry and possess electronic devices to and from school.
2. Electronic devices must be turned off and kept in lockers during school hours except if otherwise allowed by a school teacher or administrator.
3. Students shall be personally and solely responsible for the security of their electronic devices.
 - a. The school shall not assume responsibility for theft, loss, damage, or unauthorized calls made with a student's electronic device.
4. Students may use their electric device if the use is established by the appropriate administrator to be necessary for other special circumstances, health-related reasons, or emergency.

- B. Students may not use electronic devices pursuant to the following:

1. Students are not allowed to possess personal electronic devices during the school day without permission.
2. At no time is a personal electronic device or any device capable of taking photographs allowed in restrooms, locker rooms or dressing rooms.
3. For gaming, personal social media, watching videos, listening to music, or during lunch, between classes or before or after school on school premises without adult supervision.

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4. In ways that bully, humiliate, harass, or intimidate students or school employees consistent with *Student Policy 5401*.
 5. During standardized assessments unless specifically permitted by statute, the student's IEP, or assessment directions.
- C. If a student violates this policy, his/her electronic device may be confiscated by any Athlos Academy of St. Cloud teacher or administrator.
1. After the first confiscation, the device will be returned to the student at the end of the school day.
 2. On subsequent confiscations, the device will be released only to the student's parent/guardian(s), after the student has complied with the disciplinary consequences.
 3. The school may examine a student's personal device and search its contents if there is a reason to believe that school policies or state laws have been violated.
 4. In extreme cases, law enforcement may confiscate the device.
- D. The School Leader may institute other reasonable restrictions regarding student use of cell phones and other personal electronic devices beyond those outlined in this policy.

Legal References

[Minn. Stat. § 125B.15](#)

Related Documents:

[Anti-Bullying Policy 5401](#)