



BCHS Personal Mobile Devices Guidelines

*This policy is subject to change pending any upcoming Provincial or Division policy that may come into effect.

- Students will not be allowed to have any personal cell phones, bluetooth connected devices (eg.earbuds) out during class ; they should be stored in lockers or backpacks.
- Smartwatches must have notifications turned off during class.
- Laptops or Chromebooks must be used only for instructional purposes during class time.
- Phones, smartwatches or bluetooth connected devices will not be allowed to be used in public spaces in the school during class time.
- Medical exemptions requiring the use of personal devices (eg. blood sugar monitoring etc) will be discussed with individual families as needed.
- 1st time a phone is out during class time = removed to the office for the rest of the day, student may pick up at the end of the day.
- 2nd time a phone is out during class time = removed to the office for the rest of the day, phone call home, student may pick up the phone after a parent/guardian has been successfully contacted.
- 3rd time or subsequent times a phone is out during the day - removed to the office for the rest of the day, parent/guardian must pick up the phone in person.
- Teachers will give reminders to each class about the policy for the first two weeks of the school year.
- Guidelines will be posted in all classrooms.

References:

Government of Alberta Ministerial Order (#014/2024)
CRPS AP 145 Use of Personal Mobile Devices
CRPS AP 146 Responsible Use of Electronic Social Media
CRPS AP 140 Technology Acceptable Use