

CELL PHONE USE

Students are allowed to carry cellular phones while on campus; however, cell phones **MUST BE TURNED OFF AND PUT AWAY WHILE ON CAMPUS between the hours of 6:00 am and 4:15 pm.** Should a student be observed with a cell phone during school hours without the permission of a staff member, the phone will be confiscated and will be returned only to a parent or guardian. Students may not use cell phones on campus during the regular school days.

Parents and students that wish to have cell phones must agree to these rules for cell phone possession and useage. You and your student must know that your student has a responsibility to follow school rules in regard to cellular telephone use and promise to adhere to the following guidelines:

- 1) Cellular telephones must not be seen or heard on campus when in student possession between 6:00 am and 4:15 pm.
- 2) Cellular phones may not be out or on from the moment students step one foot on campus from the public sidewalk before school after 6:00 am.
- 3) Cellular phones may not be out or turned on until I step on the public sidewalk with both feet off campus or after 4:15 pm.
- 4) I may not send or receive any cellular phone calls while I am on campus or at any school sponsored activity including Sports, AE Club and After School Program until 4:15 pm.
- 5) I may not send or receive any text messages while I am on campus or am at any school sponsored activity including sports, AE Club or After School Program until 4:15 pm.
- 6) Although the bell rings at 3:00 pm on MTThF and at 2:05 pm on Wednesday I cannot send or receive text messages or phone calls until I have both feet on the sidewalk after school or until after 4:15 pm.

Parents Agree To:

- 1) Not call or send text messages to students during the school day.
- 2) Understand that students cannot answer text messages or phone calls until they have both feet on the public sidewalk off campus after school.
- 3) Understand that students cannot answer text messages or phone calls during extended day programs such as AE Club, After School Program or sports until 4:15 pm.
- 4) Inform their student that students cannot have their cell phones turned on or visible while the student is on campus from 6:00 am to 4:15 pm.
- 5) Submit their student to disciplinary action, including the possibility of suspension, if a cellular phone is found in their student's possession.

OFFICE TELEPHONE and CELL PHONES

To avoid class and office interruptions, students may use the telephone only in an emergency. Also, we ask that messages from home be limited to true emergencies.

Although students are allowed by state law to carry cell phones while on campus, they may NOT be turned on or be visible during school hours. Students with cell phones visible or in use during school hours will have the phone confiscated and a parent will need to pick it up after meeting with an administrator and signing a contract about cell phone rules. Nicolas Junior High accepts no responsibility for stolen or misplaced cell phones.