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GMMS Cell Phone Policy Change: Effective 8/5/2021

Cell phones will only be allowed use up to 7:45am at morning take in and during lunch brain break time <u>to check for messages from parents/guardians</u>. Phones should never be used in classrooms, bathroom, dressing rooms, and cafeteria. Chromebooks are now given to all students so cell phone use for educational purposes is not needed in a classroom. Students may come to the office, counselor, nurse, or administrator if they need to call home. Students that do have cell phones should have it powered off and out of sight on campus at all times with the 2 exceptions previously stated. Cell phones are permitted after school to communicate with parents/guardians.

Expectations of devices on campus: Refer to Policy JCDAE and IFBGBA

- Cell phones or other technology devices are prohibited during test/exams. The presence of an electronic device will be considered a testing irregularity with school consequences. Chromebooks can be used for test that are computer based.
- Electronic bullying or harassment will not be tolerated and will be subject to disciplinary and/or bullying policies.
- Cell phone or any other technology infractions will follow the LPSD student code of conduct.
- The LPSD internet/email use agreement will be strictly enforced. All school/district/classroom rules must be followed.
- The school/district assumes no liability for loss, damage, or theft to any phone/device brought to school for any purpose.
- Students agree that, while within the school campus, they will access the Internet only via the District provided Wi-Fi and not via any cellular (3g, 4g, 5g, LTE) services or other internet Wi-Fi connection.
- The use of social media will be prohibited on campus. Chromebooks are provided by GMMS so personal cell phones do not need to be used for educational purposes.

CONSEQUENCES:

<u>First Violation</u>: Teacher official warning and documented.

Second Violation: Teacher writes referral, notifies parent, and administration will assign an after school detention.

<u>Third Violation</u>: Major written referral for unauthorized use of technology, confiscation of phone, ISS, and loss of privilege (<u>cannot bring cell phone to school</u>) for a period of time to be determined by the administration.