

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

POLICY

It is the policy of the Fitzgerald Public Schools to maintain the best possible learning environment, for all students, which is free from preventable external distractions and disruptions including any and all distractions and/or disruptions from electronic devices such as, but not limited to, cellular phones, pagers, etc.

PROCEDURE

1. Students will not use their personal electronic device(s) at any time during school hours. Students will not be permitted to use their electronic device during passing time between classes, at lunch time, or during any other time while out of their classroom.
2. All personal electronic devices, carried by students, must be turned off during school hours. Placing the device on silent alert, vibrate, or other setting is not acceptable.
3. Any personal electronic device, carried by a student, that creates a distraction or disturbance at any time during school hours will be immediately confiscated and returned to only a parent or guardian. Repeated offenses may result in further disciplinary measures.
4. Students are prohibited from bringing laser pointers on any school property or offsite school activity.
5. Fitzgerald Public Schools will not be responsible for theft, loss or damage to any electronic device(s) carried onto any school property.
6. Students will use electronic devices for instructional purposes, as determined by the classroom teacher.

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