

JICC - ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Seacoast Classical Academy cultivates a positive school culture of virtue, decorum, respect, discipline, and studiousness. Its mission requires that scholars are actively engaged in their education. The Academy will maintain a school environment supporting focused learning, lengthening of attention spans, and healthy face-to-face interactions with peers and adults. Personal electronic devices and their applications are too often distracting, disruptive, culturally unedifying, and socially and emotionally harmful. The intent of this policy is to help create and maintain the Academy culture, and thereby to enable its mission.

The following electronic devices and toys are prohibited at Seacoast Classical Academy: portable music players, earbuds, cameras, electronic games, laser pointers, and other devices and toys that are not part of the Academy's academic or extracurricular programs. Such items may be confiscated from the scholar and returned to a parent.

The use of mobile phones, smartwatches, and other personal electronic communication devices during the school day is prohibited. Seacoast Classical Academy discourages sending such devices to school. The following restrictions and allowances apply to personal electronic communication devices:

- 1. Devices must be turned over to the homeroom teacher and stored during the entire school day.
- 2. Devices must be stored turned off, not merely silenced.
- 3. Device use is permitted after dismissal to facilitate transportation.
- 4. If a scholar needs to communicate with a parent during the school day, the scholar must come to the Academy office to use one of the office phones.
- 5. If a parent needs to get an urgent message to a scholar before the end of the school day, he or she should call the Academy's main telephone line and ask for the message to be delivered.
- 6. Violation will result in confiscation of the device which will be returned to a parent.
- 7. The Academy and its staff are not liable for any theft, loss, or damage of devices.

Scholars may face disciplinary action for violation of this policy.

References:

• None

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