

## Beecher Community Schools Bylaws & Policies

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### **5136 - CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES**

A student may possess a cellular telephone or other electronic communication devices (ECD) and electronic storage devices (ESD) in school, on school property, at after school activities and at school-related functions. During school hours, students may use cellular telephones and other electronic communication devices (ECD) and electronic storage devices (ESD) for educational activities that enhance student learning. Students may not use these technologies for disruptive or distractive activities which impede the educational process.

The unauthorized use of cellular phones and ECD/ESD to communicate or access information during classes or testing is prohibited.

Except as authorized under this policy, use of a cellular telephone or other electronic communication devices (ECD) and electronic storage devices (ESD) in school, on school property, at after school activities and at school-related functions will be subject to disciplinary action.

Also, during school activities when directed by the administrator or sponsor, cell phones and other ECD/ESD shall be turned off and stored away out of sight.

The use of cell phones and other ECD/ESD in locker rooms or restrooms is prohibited.

The use of audio or video recording capacity of any cell phone and other ECD/ESD is prohibited in locker rooms.

Possession of a cellular telephone or other ECD/ESD by a student is a privilege, which may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the terms of this policy, or otherwise engages in misuse of this privilege.

Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action against the student which may result in confiscation of the cellular telephone or ECD/ESD.

The student who possesses a cellular phone or ECD/ESD shall assume responsibility for its care. At no time shall the District be responsible for preventing theft, loss, or damage to cell phones or ECD/ESD brought onto its property.

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