

Cell Phone Policy

Phone Calls/Mobile Phones

Telephones in the school office are solely for business purposes. Please make all arrangements for dropoff, pick-up, and make appointments prior to the school day.

It is important for families to understand that the most common disciplinary issues we face at EIA are related to cell phones and social media. Over the past few years, despite our efforts to limit student use of cell phones in school, many problems have occurred and forced EIA staff to consider amending our approach with cell phone usage in the school. Therefore, effective September 3, 2019, we are enforcing the following Cell Phone Policy for all elementary and Jr. High students:

Cell Phones are not allowed to be brought to school or to be used in the classroom at any time for students from KG - Grade 9.

The ONLY Acceptable reasons for a Jr. High student bringing their cell phone to school includes the following:

• The Jr. High student is enrolled in an after-school extracurricular activity (ie. Tutoring, Quran Club, etc) or signed up to an athletics team.

In these cases, a school waiver form, indicating parent permission, would have to be filled in advance and submitted to the secondary office. In addition, these students would be required to surrender their cell phone to the secondary office each day prior to Block 1. Cell phones will be returned to the student at the end of the school day at the office. The student will not be allowed access to their cell phone at any time during the school day. If a student is caught with a cell phone or electronic device during school hours the cell phone or device will be confiscated and the parent/guardian will be contacted and requested to come to the school office themselves to retrieve the cell phone or device. Student discipline may follow.

• Off campus field trips (for Jr. High Only) are an exception to the cellphone policy. Students may bring their cellphone onto trips so long as the Principal approves it.

High School students **are permitted to bring cell phones**, but are not allowed to use them during class time.

Elementary students are not permitted to bring cell phones to school under any circumstance.

Failure to abide by this policy will result subsequent disciplinary action. We appreciate parents support and understanding.