MIRA COSTA

CELL PHONE POLICY

2025-2026

STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ENGAGE AND PARTICIPATE IN CLASS

To foster a focused and distraction-free learning environment and consistent with the requirements of Assembly Bill 3216, the Phone-Free School Act, as well as the recommendations of the Superintendent's Educational Technology Advisory Committee (SETAC), MCHS has a policy in place for cell phone devices on campus.

WHEN MAY STUDENTS USE THEIR CELL PHONE?

NO CELL PHONE ALLOWED:
Instructional Time
(Periods 0 - 7)

CELL PHONE ALLOWED:
Nutrition
Lunch
Office Hours
Passing Periods

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN ARRIVING IN EACH CLASS:

1. Students are required to place their cell phones in a designated cell phone pocket holder in each classroom at the start of each instructional period.
2. Phones should remain in the pocket holder, screens facing away from view, for the duration of the class period unless a teacher explicitly authorizes their use for instructional purposes.
3. Students may retrieve their phones at the end of the period.



RESPONSIBLE CELL PHONE DEVICE USE

- Use phone during appropriate times only
- Keep phone off or on silent to avoid distractions
- Limit screen time to maintain focus and reduce distractions
- Use phone as a tool and for educational purposes such as research, calendar or reminders
- Respect yours and others' privacy. Do not record or photograph without permission

VIOLATION OF THIS POLICY WILL RESULT IN CLASSROOM AND/OR SCHOOL CONSEQUENCES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MIRA COSTA HIGH SCHOOL BEHAVIOR DISCIPLINE MATRIX.