



# CCS Student Cell Phone Use Procedures

2023-2024

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# Committee Members

- Tameka Anderson - Parent
- Josh Bricker - Student
- Pamela Brown - CHS Teacher
- Shymora Cooper - Parent
- Matthew Deegan- CHS Teacher
- Caja Edwards- Student
- Jennifer Horne - CHS Teacher
- Timothy Johnson - CHS Teacher
- Rodney Jordan - Buford Principal
- Andy Josselyn - CHS Teacher
- Dr. Sherry Kraft - Board Member
- Lisa Larson - Torres - Board Member
- Janet Miller - Parent
- Molly Miller - Student
- Dr. Katina Otey - Chief Academic Officer
- Joseph Patterson - CHS Teacher
- Dr. Erika Pierce - CHS Teacher
- Rashaad Pitt - CHS Principal
- Matthew Resnick - Buford Teacher
- Cathy Roessler - Clinical Social Worker
- Matthew Rossello - CHS Teacher
- Ceres Shanks - Student
- Cianna Washburg - Buford Teacher
- Yumeca Webb - Jordan - CHS Teacher
- Charmaine Williams - CHS Teacher

# The Committee's Work

- Met together five times
  - 5/8/23, 5/15/23, 5/22/23, 5/30/23, 6/5/23
- Discussed challenges with student cell phone use
- Discussed what has worked in some classes
- Reviewed articles of student cell phone solutions around the state / nation
- Shared possible plans

# Considerations

- Continue what we have been doing, but with more consistency from staff
- Continue with daily reminders in announcements
- Use of pencil boxes for phone storage
- Yondr pouches (all day storage)
- Cell phone breaks in class
- Cell phone zones
- Allow phone usage during hallways and lunch

# Considerations (cont'd)

- Phone etiquette session for students
- Incentives for compliance
- Engaging class lessons
- Summer communication campaign
- Attendance challenges regarding cell phones
- Cell phone addiction
- [New Cell phone plan](#) for 23-24 (to be added to policy for 24-25)

# Anticipated Outcomes

- With implementation of cell phone plan and
  - All staff on board (committee helping to onboard staff and hold all accountable)
  - Strong communication to families
  - Consistency from staff
  - Etiquette training for students
  - Teachers attending collaborative session held by team members
  - Patience (understand that this may not be easy, but it WILL be worth it)

# Anticipated Outcomes

- Then
  - Student cell phone use during instructional time will no longer be an issue
  - Teachers will be able to focus more on fun and engaging teaching and learning
  - **Student engagement will increase**
  - **Student achievement will increase**

# Next Steps

- Plan roll out to include:
  - Summer communication (team to go into communities to share with families, social media blasts, etc.)
  - Purchase of pencil boxes for phone storage
  - Purchase of small number of Yondr pouches
  - Student cell phone etiquette session
  - Teacher collaborative conversation with team
  - Scripts for teachers
  - Phone free zone signs
  - Discussion with technology about add'l devices and coding cell phone issues

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