

Cecil County Public Schools Policies

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OFFICE: SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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The Board of Education of Cecil County believes the maintenance of a safe and orderly learning environment is a priority to ensure students' success. Furthermore, the Board acknowledges the enhancements technology brings to our lives, but also recognizes the impact, distraction, and disruption portable electronic devices may have on the instructional process.

A portable electronic device may include, but is not limited to cell phones, pagers, digital cameras, CD/DVD players, MP3 players, such as iPods, etc., hand held gaming devices, two-way radios, any WiFi enabled device, or any device that disrupts the effective operation of the school. Student possession of portable electronic devices on school property and at school-sponsored events on and off campus is a privilege not a right. It is the intent of the Board to ensure possession of portable electronic devices does not disrupt the learning environment, after-school activities, or school safety including the safe transportation of students.

Except as provided by law and regulation, students may not use, display, or have activated portable electronic devices on school property, school buses, school-chartered vehicles, or at any school-sponsored activity before, during, or after the school day without the permission of the school principal or the principal's designee.

The Cecil County Public Schools will not be held responsible for loss, theft, damage, or destruction of any portable electronic device.

The Superintendent of Schools shall establish regulations governing the use of portable electronic devices and the consequences for misuse thereof.