

Cell Phones and Other Devices

Students and families are able to communicate using our land lines. Devices that can be used for texting, phone conversations, messaging, picture messaging, and/or videoing, are not permitted at Mary Queen of Apostles School. Carrying such a device during the school day or using such a device results in an in-school suspension for the first offense.

If you feel your child needs a cell phone, one may be brought to school at your own risk following this protocol. The parent(s) send a written note to the principal requesting that a device be brought to school. Upon principal approval, a letter will be mailed home giving permission and containing all the rules regarding this privilege.

Conditions for having a cell phone or other communication device are detailed here. The cell phone must be kept in the school locker, in a book bag, and turned off upon entry to the school until dismissal. It may not be carried around during the day. It may not be given to other students to use. It may not be used at lunch or recess or taken to the restroom. It is not a way for parents to check in on their child for any reason. The land line phones are available for this. Cell phones carried with the permission of the principal can then be used after school with the knowledge of the supervising teacher, coach, or club moderator. Failure to abide by these rules will result in an in-school suspension and may result in the loss of this privilege. Students having a phone on their person will have the phone confiscated and given to the principal at which time a parent will need to collect it.

Other technologies fall into the cell phone rules. These include: iPads, iPhones, iPods, Droids, gaming devices, and those under development. If you are unsure, please call the principal.