Portland Middle School
Bring Your Own Device Agreement
2019-2020

Portland Middle School students shall be permitted to possess cell phones, and other electronic communication devices, in school buildings and on school property during the instructional day. This includes, but is not limited to, study periods, lunch breaks, class changes or any other structured or non-structured activity that occurs during the normal school day.

While on school property during the instructional day, students must refer to the personal device stop lights to know whether or not it is an appropriate time to use their personal device. These will be posted in every area of the school.

Use of cell phones and other electronic communication devices during before-school and after-school activities (provided that they do not interfere with the event or school operations) is at the discretion of the coach, director, supervisor, or other adult in charge. Possession of a cell phone or other electronic communication device by a student is a privilege, which may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by this policy.

Students do not have permission to be on any social media sites, or to place phone calls at anytime during the school day. Students are responsible for the content of their electronic devices. Inappropriate material/content is not to be viewed or shared on school grounds. It should be noted that any form of bullying through the use of cell phones is strictly prohibited. If a student needs to use the phone they may call home from the office phone.

Students do not have permission to use any image recording device, including but not limited to cameras, cell phones, personal digital assistants, and other electronic image capturing/reproducing devices, shall be operated in any lavatory, locker room or any other space on school district property where privacy is implied and expected for the occupant, before, during, or after school hours. There are many students and parents that have requested not to have their picture taken. It is crucial that students are not utilizing their devices for pictures or videos. The use of such an image capturing/reproducing device in these types of private spaces may result in the seizure of the device by the administration and a suspension from school of up to 10 days.

I will follow all classroom, school and district policies and guidelines when using technology.

Student Initials __________   Parent/Guardian Initials __________

Portland Public Schools will assume no responsibility for student loss, damage or theft of cell phones or electronic communication devices. Students are strongly encouraged to turn their locks when closing lockers to reset the combination. “Pegging” of lockers leaves items unsecure.

I understand the above terms regarding loss or damage of a device.

Student Initials __________   Parent/Guardian Initials __________

If the student chooses not to follow the Portland Middle School “Bring Your Own Device” policies, the following consequences will take place:

Personal Device Discipline Procedure:
  1st Offense: Personal device will be held in the office until the end of the day, student may pick up personal device, and student will receive one lunch detention.
  2nd Offense: Personal device will be held in the office until the end of the day, student may pick up personal device, and student will receive one after school detention.
  3rd Offense: Personal device will be held in the office until a parent/guardian picks it up, and student will receive one after school detention.
  4th and Subsequent Offenses: Student’s personal device privileges will be revoked for the school year, and student will receive 2 after school detentions and/or 4 hours of Saturday school.

By signing below, I agree to follow Portland Middle School “Bring Your Own Device” policies and guidelines.

Student Signature: __________________   Date: __________

Parent/Guardian Signature: __________________   Date: __________

Please return to Mr. Hoffman