

PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

DEVICES AWAY • MINDS ENGAGED

The Hall County Board of Education is committed to fostering a learning environment that is free from unnecessary distractions and conducive to academic success. Limiting the use of personal electronic devices during the instructional day helps minimize disruptions, promote engagement, increase meaningful interactions, and support focused learning experiences.



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Cell Phones



Smartwatches



Meta-Glasses



Earbuds/Headphones



Tablets, E-readers & Other Devices



Gaming Devices

GRADES K-8

NO PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING SCHOOL HOURS.



Includes any device with wireless communication, internet access, messaging, video recording, gaming, social media access, or data transmission.

GRADES 9-12

DEVICES MAY BE USED ONLY DURING CLASS TRANSITIONS AND LUNCH PERIODS.



Transitions



Lunch Periods

Instructional time begins with the first-class bell and ends with the dismissal bell from the final class. This includes all classes, assemblies, and other school-related instructional activities.

PROHIBITIONS & PROTECTIONS

APPLIES TO ALL ACTIVITIES



This policy applies to all school-sponsored activities that occur during the school day, including field trips, athletic events, and extracurricular activities.

VIOLATIONS



Students in violation of this policy will be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the Hall County School District Student Code of Conduct.

EXCEPTIONS



Students with an approved Individualized Education Plan (IEP), Section 504 Plan, or medical plan that requires the use of a personal electronic device may use such devices as necessary to fulfill the requirements of that plan. Parents/guardians should contact the school office for clarification.

NOT RESPONSIBLE



The Hall County School District is not responsible or liable for the theft, loss, or damage of personal electronic devices.

ACCEPTABLE USE



All users must agree and sign the Hall County School District's Acceptable Use Agreement to access district technology resources and facilities.