## GEORGE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **ELECTRONIC DEVICES/CELL PHONES**

At their own risk, students may bring their cell phones/electronic devices to school. The phone/device must remain on silent or vibrate at all times so as not to distract from instructional time during the school day. The teachers may declare their classrooms as "No Electronic Device Zones". Any student in violation will receive a discipline referral. The teachers who choose to monitor the use of cell phones/electronic devices in their classrooms will be allowed to take up student's devices when used without permission and hold it for the remainder of class. Inappropriate use of cell phone/electronic device is not allowed, and students who are defiant or refuse to comply will be sent to the principal's office for disciplinary action. Out-going calls, incoming calls, camera use, social media or other uses are not allowed.

Violation of the cell phone/electronic device policy will be referred to the office and the student will face the following consequences:

1<sup>st</sup> offense – Warning 2<sup>nd</sup> & following offenses – Student will be placed on the discipline ladder and

parent must pick up the device in the office.

Parent, if you have an emergency and need to contact your child, please call the office and we will contact your son/daughter. Please do not try to contact them by cell phone.

George County Schools, its faculty and staff are NOT responsible for any damaged, missing or stolen cell phones. If a student has a cell phone and it is damaged or stolen, schools WILL NOT utilize administrative time to investigate the incident nor will the district or schools take any financial responsibility for the cell phone or cell phone charges.

Parents and students must also sign and adhere to the George County School District Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) policy.

Any student caught using or in possession of an electronic device (i.e. cell phone) during State Testing will have their test invalidated, which means they fail the test.

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