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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we prepare for the 2026–2027 school year, we would like to inform you of an important update to our student cell phone policy. This policy is designed to maintain a focused, respectful, and distraction-free learning environment for all students.

Beginning in the 2026–2027 school year, Middle School and High School students may bring cell phones, smartwatches, and smart glasses to campus. However, the use of these devices will not be permitted during instructional time, including both Virtual Classroom (VC) and in-person instruction, during tutoring sessions, or independent work times while on campus.

While on campus, all student cell phones, smartwatches, and smart glasses must be turned off or set to silent mode and kept out of sight (stored in backpacks or designated areas). Students are not permitted to use cell phones, smartwatches, or smart glasses at any time in Rooms 312, 201, or in the school office while at the conference table.

If a student is found using a cell phone, smartwatch, or smart glasses in violation of this policy, the device may be confiscated and disciplinary action may follow. Repeated violations may result in parent/guardian notification and additional consequences.

We believe this policy will help strengthen student focus, engagement, and academic success. We appreciate your partnership and support in reinforcing these expectations with your child.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school office.

Sincerely,
School Administration

Student Cell Phone/Electronics Policy

Beginning school year 2026-2027

Purpose

To maintain a focused, respectful, and distraction-free learning environment during all instructional activities, whether conducted virtually (VC) or face-to-face.

Middle and High School (Grades 7-12)

- **The use of cell phones, smartwatches, and smart glasses is strictly prohibited on campus during instructional time, including both Virtual Classroom (VC) and in-person instruction, tutoring sessions, and independent work times.**
- Students may bring cell phones, smart watches, smart glasses to school; however:
 - Phones, watches, and glasses must be **turned off or set to silent mode.**
 - Phones and glasses must be **kept out of sight** (backpack or designated storage area).
- Cell phones, smart watches, and smart glasses may **not be used at any time in Rooms 312, 201, or the main office.**

Violations & Consequences

Failure to follow this policy may result in:

1. Warning
2. Confiscation of device (returned at end of day or per administrative discretion)
3. Mandatory meeting with parent/guardian with an administrator and school counselor.
4. Additional disciplinary action for repeated violations (Class C/Class D Offense per Hawaii Administrative Rules Chapter 19)

Responsibility

Students bring cell phones, smart watches, and smart glasses at their own risk. The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged devices.

If there is an emergency, please call the main office at 808-441-8000.