



Lititz Christian Student Cell Phone* Use Policy

Lititz Christian desires to help educate students to become godly and discerning users of modern technology. While we understand the importance and benefit of cell phones in everyday life, we have found that they can be detrimental to the educational process if not monitored properly. In addition to students being distracted by sending and receiving data (text messages, photos, etc.), cell phones and other electronic devices can be used to gain unauthorized assistance in testing or other school assignments. Similarly, when using a cell phone, students can also potentially access web sites that are normally blocked on our school computer network. Thus, in order to maintain an optimal learning environment, LC has adopted the following cell phone policy.

SECTION 1 - PERMISSION

Students are permitted to use cell phones when given specific permission for a specific purpose by a school staff member. When permission is granted, students are expected to adhere to the school's Acceptable Use Policy for all technology use.

SECTION 2 – PROHIBITIONS

The following cell phone policy will be in effect while students are under the supervision of Lititz Christian School.

- a. Students are prohibited from using, whether purposefully or accidentally, any cell phone without permission as described in Section 1.
- b. Students may not receive or make phone calls or text messages during the school day.
- c. In class, phones must be turned off and placed in open view on the student's desk or in a place assigned by the classroom teacher. If the teacher sees that a phone is not turned off, it will be considered a violation of the policy.

SECTION 3 – DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

A student in violation of the Lititz Christian cell phone policy may incur these or other disciplinary actions.

Students using a cell phone without permission will be required to take the phone to the school office.

- a. Upon the first offense, the student may retrieve the cell phone from the office at the end of the day.
- b. The second cell phone offense within a semester will result in a one-day detention for the student. Parents will be required to retrieve the phone from the school office.
- c. A third offense within a semester will result in one week of detention. Parents will again be required to retrieve the phone from the school office.

*This policy applies to all electronic devices capable of transmitting, receiving, or storing voice or data communication.

Lititz Christian School is not responsible for any personal lost, damaged, or stolen electronic device.