

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

We are committed to providing a learning environment that is safe and free from distractions. Students are expected to come to school ready to learn. Lincoln Middle School has the expectation that all electronic devices are powered down and put away for the entire school day, this includes breaks. Phones may not be used to listen to music through earbuds during the school day.

Electronic devices include, but are not limited to: cell phones, cameras, iPods/MP3 players, personal laptops/tablets (District devices excluded), portable speakers, handheld electronic games, headphones/airpods, etc.

In the event of an emergency, students should alert an adult on campus and will be allowed to use a school phone to contact their parents/guardians. Please DO NOT contact your students during the school day via their cell phones. Students are able to access phones on-campus should they need to reach out to you during the school day.

Should a student be in violation of this policy, the following progressive steps will be taken:

First Offense	Second Offense	Third & Subsequent Offenses
Confiscation of item until the end of the school day. Student conference	Confiscation of the item until parent/guardian comes to retrieve it. Item will not be returned to the student for ANY reason. Parent/Guardian conference	Confiscation of item until parent/guardian comes to retrieve it. Item will not be returned to the student for ANY reason. Parent/Guardian Conference Detention will apply Additional consequences may be deemed necessary if the problem continues.

Students and their parents/guardians take full responsibility for <u>any and all</u> electronic signaling devices (including cell phones/cellular watches), which the student may bring to school.

<u>In no event or circumstance</u> will the district or its staff be held responsible or liable for the loss, theft or damage to any such device. This includes the loss, theft, or damage of confiscated cell phones and similar devices (SMMUSD AR 5131.8).

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