

FSMS Student-Owned Device Expectations – 2022-2023

- No phones may be in students' possession during the instructional day. A phone is not considered an allowable instructional device.
- Phones must be powered off and stored in the student's backpack during the instructional day (8:40-4:05). If they have been issued a locker, both the backpack and the cell phone must be stored in the locker during the instructional day.
- When students arrive on campus in the morning, they will report to their assigned holding area (commons or gyms). Students will be permitted to use their phones at school in the morning classroom holding areas between 8:20-8:40 and after dismissal at the end of the day (after 4:05).
- District policy remains in effect for "bring your own device to school."
- When using a student-owned device for instruction, students MUST connect to the district FBISD_ BYOD for Wi-Fi.
- Students may not use their phones or devices to access and use any social media **at any time** while students are on campus, including before and after school.
- Students may not use their phone to take photos or videos **at any time** while they are on campus, including before and after school. **Phone use in the locker room or restroom is considered a severe violation and will be considered the fourth offense.**
- Using earbuds and headphones in one ear only is permitted before and after school unless using them for instructional purposes during class time as instructed by staff.
- FSMS staff will model responsible behavior when it comes to personal devices.

If a phone is discovered in a student's possession or if a student misuses their own instructional device, the following steps will be taken:

First Offense—Device is confiscated and delivered to the front office for end-of-day student pickup and recorded in Skyward with a referral.

Second Offense—Same as the first offense.

Third Offense—Same as first and second offense, and student fined (per policy in the current FBISD Student/Parent Handbook).

Fourth Offense or Severe Violation—Student device will no longer be allowed on campus and if brought to school, must be dropped off at the front office each day. Student is fined, a parent must pick up the phone, and a referral submitted to their administrator.

***Offenses restart at the beginning of each semester.

***Students with electronic watches and other "smart devices" must conform to district and school policy; any misuse will follow the same procedures for cell phones and other student-owned devices.

***Some students will be exempt from these expectations due to documented health monitoring or medical necessity.

***Parents needing to contact their children during the instructional day regarding transportation or for emergencies may call (281) 634-6440 in order to have a message delivered to their child.

***FSMS is not responsible for the loss or theft of student-owned devices.

Student Signature

Student Name (Printed)/Grade/ID#

Student Cell Phone Number

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent Phone Number

Date