


Bridges Charter School 	Board Policy- <h2 style="text-align: center;">Cell Phone Policy</h2>	
Policy Number: <h3 style="text-align: center;">6163.5</h3>	Adopted: <h3 style="text-align: center;">6/15/20</h3>	Revised:

When on campus, ALL student cell phones (and any other personal electronic devices) are to be turned off and out of sight once a student enters the gates in the morning and remain off until the end of the school day unless explicit permission is given by a teacher or staff member. Video recording or taking pictures of other students/staff is strictly forbidden unless written consent has been given in advance.

Certain exceptions to the policy are as follows:

- In the case of an emergency
- In response to a perceived threat or danger
- When a teacher or administrator grants explicit permission to a student to possess or use a smartphone/device for his/her class or activity
- When a doctor determines a smartphone/device is necessary for the health or well-being of a student
- When possession or use of the smartphone is required in a student's Individualized Education Program

Unauthorized use of such devices disrupts the instructional program and distracts from the learning environment. Therefore, unauthorized use is grounds for confiscation of devices by school officials, including classroom teachers. Repeat offenses may result in the student being banned from bringing their device to school.