



Marlington High School

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Cell Phone Update 2019-20

As a reminder, MHS student handbook policy states that electronic devices are to be powered completely down and stored out of sight during school hours. Parents/Guardians are advised that the best way to get in touch with their child during the school day is by calling the school office. Discipline is imposed on an escalating scale ranging from a warning to an expulsion based on the number of previous violations and/or the nature of or circumstances surrounding a particular violation. We will continue to enforce this policy as we have done in the past. We have included in this document the expectations that we have at the high school and the disciplinary actions that follow if students are found with cell phones out at inappropriate times.

Beginning at 7:50 AM through 2:25 PM, students are to keep their devices, powered completely down, either in their lockers or out of sight on their person. The only times students are allowed to be on their cell phones are:

1. In the cafeteria during their scheduled lunch period
2. In the DLZ if permitted to attend during AA or Study Hall
3. In the hallway during class change

If a student is seen and/or heard using a device without explicit permission from staff, students are asked to hand the device over to a staff member. If the student complies with this request, he/she will follow section 1 below. If the student refuses, he/she will follow section 2.

Section 1 - Give the device to staff member when asked

- 1st: Verbal Warning and phone returned by administration at the end of day
- 2nd: Detention and phone returned by administration at the end of day
- 3rd: 1 day of ISS and administration holds phone until parent picks it up
- 4th: 2 days of ISS and administration holds phone until parent picks it up
- 5th: Principal Discretion

Section 2 - Refusal to turn in device when asked

- 1st: OSS 1 day
- 2nd: OSS 3 days
- 3rd: OSS 5 days
- 4th: OSS 10 days w/ expulsion hearing