# PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING UNAUTHORIZED

### **COMMUNICATION DEVICES**

# **Disciplinary Action**

Any student who is in possession of, or uses an unauthorized beeper, portable cellular phone or similar portable communications device, may be suspended from school for up to two consecutive days by the superintendent or his/her designated representative. The superintendent or his/her designee will immediately notify the parent/guardian of the offense and disciplinary action. All such devices will be confiscated and turned over to the parent/guardian.

# **Authorization to Carry Portable Communications Devices**

All beepers, portable cellular phones, and similar portable communications devices are unauthorized except as follows. The principal or principal's designee may authorize the carrying of portable communications device upon showing of good cause by a students' parent(s) or guardian(s). Any authorization, must and may specify conditions, including hours or allowed use. The student must carry the written authorization whenever s/he is in possession of the portable communications device. Failure to carry the written authorization shall result in the confiscation of the device but the student may avoid suspension by producing the written authorization. Abuse of an authorization is grounds for the revocation of the authorization. Any teacher or administrator may inspect the written authorization at any time.

#### Student Handbooks

Student handbooks shall include a rule prohibiting the use of beepers, Portable cellular phones, and other portable communications devices in School buildings pursuant to this regulation and policy JICJ.

See policy JICJ

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