



MOBILE PHONE AND ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

CHURCHLANDS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

1. POLICY STATEMENT

Churchlands Senior High School (Churchlands SHS) does not permit student use of mobile phones and associated devices during school hours unless for medical or teacher directed educational purpose.

2. POLICY SCOPE

Students are permitted to be in possession of their mobile phone and/or associated devices during the school day; however, they must be turned off at the first school siren at 8.55am and remain off and away until 3.00pm. Students can use their mobile device for educational purposes under the direct instruction of a teacher or for a documented medical reason.

3. DEFINITIONS

3.1 Associated device

Any device that can be used when connected to a mobile phone i.e smart watch, headphones, air pods.

3.2 Teacher Directed Educational Purpose

Use of mobile phone under the explicit instruction of the teacher for a curriculum-based activity

3.3 School site

Churchlands SHS grounds including camps, excursions and/or any venue where students are under the supervision of teachers.

4. PROCEDURES

4.1 Confiscation of device

A student who breaches the policy will have their phone and/or associated device confiscated and handed to the Associate Principal. This will be documented on SEQTA with the parent/caregiver notified. The mobile and or associated device can only be collected by a parent or caregiver at the end of the school day.

4.2 Breach of policy

4.2.1 A second breach of the policy will result in a loss of Good Standing.

4.2.2 A third breach of the policy will result in a suspension and loss of Good Standing.

4.3 Recording

A student using a mobile phone on school site to record a staff member, other students or any incident (including fighting) will be suspended. This includes storing, forwarding or uploading inappropriate materials.

4.4 Electronic funds

Students are permitted to use their mobile phone to access electronic funds for the Canteen. For this purpose, students can only access their phone while in the Canteen, or in the line for the Canteen.

4.5 Contacting parents/caregivers

If a student needs to contact parents during the school day, they are required to seek approval from Student Services.

4.6 Contacting students

Parents wishing to contact their children for emergencies must do so via reception on 9441 1700.

5. RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Churchlands SHS Student Behaviour and Good Standing Policy
- Student Mobile Phones in Public School Policy
- Student Behaviour in Public Schools
- Let's take a stand together: Ministers Statement on School Violence

6. RESPONSIBLE STAFF MEMBER

Policy Manager	Principal
Responsible Staff	Associate Principal in charge of Student Services
Approval Authority	Churchlands SHS Board
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7. REVISION HISTORY

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