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Subject: Langley Secondary School Cell Phone & Digital Device Policy

Dear Parents and Guardians,

At Langley Secondary School, we recognize the importance of establishing clear guidelines for the use of personal digital devices to ensure they support educational goals and maintain a respectful learning environment.

Our Expectations:

Students are expected to use personal digital devices responsibly and only in ways that enhance learning.

- Use of digital devices to complete surveys or student reflections
- Cell phones can be used in the classroom to encourage digital literacy skills integrated into the learning effectively and responsibly (teacher directed).
- The school is committed to supporting students with diverse learning needs and will accommodate students who require the appropriate use of technology during the school day. This is in line with the student's Individual Education Plan.
- Cell phones may be used to monitor medical and health needs
- Cell phones can be used before school, at lunch and after school
- Cell phones or other electronic devices, including cameras which can capture pictures, video or audio that records other students require consent by the Administration. At no time may cameras be used in locker rooms and washrooms.

Outside of these educational purposes, devices should remain off and stored away during instructional time to minimize distractions and foster engagement. School staff may provide alternate means of storage in the classroom in a secured area.

For the purpose of supporting the above restrictions of personal digital devices, interventions will be progressive and include:

- A verbal reminder to the student
- The device collected by staff and returned to the student at the end of class
- The device collected by staff and returned to the student at the end of the day
- A phone call or email to the parent / guardian to support the student in the appropriate use of digital devices while at school

Nurturing a respectful community that values effort and achievement.

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- The requirement that any personal digital device not be brought to the classroom for a set period of time. The phone can be parked at the main office or left at home.
- Other interventions, as deemed appropriate by the Administration.

We appreciate your support in reinforcing these expectations at home. Together, we can create an environment where technology is a tool for learning rather than a distraction.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you for your partnership,

Diane Smillie

Principal, Langley Secondary School