

Digital media / Cell phone policy

The use of digital media devices (cell phones, I-pads, MP3 players, digital cameras, DVD/CD players, PDA's radios, and electronic games) has increased among young people in our communities and schools.

While electronic devices are beneficial, their misuse may be disruptive to the positive learning environment and may infringe on the privacy and rights of others. Misuse of an electronic device may be detrimental to the learning environment at Washington Terrace Elementary.

Students are prohibited from using the above electronic devices during school hours (unless directed by the teacher). Students are strongly cautioned to not bring these items to school. A student that does bring a cell phone to school will need to fill out a CELL PHONE PERMISSION FORM. This form must be signed by the parent or guardian and returned to the school. The school principal may make exceptions to the electronic device policy for special occasions.

Cell phones should not BE SEEN or HEARD during school hours.

WASHINGTON TERRACE ELEMENTARY is NOT responsible for LOST OR STOLEN digital media devices.

Students who violate this policy:

- 1 -May have the electronic device confiscated.
- 2 -Student's parent/guardian will be notified and the device will be returned only to parent or guardian.
- 3 -If further inappropriate use continues, disciplinary action may be taken which may include but is not limited to suspension and/or district referral.