

FORESTBURG SCHOOL

USE OF PERSONAL MOBILE DEVICES AND SOCIAL MEDIA IN SCHOOLS POLICY

[BRSD Policy 135](#)

Personal Mobile Device - includes, but is not limited to any personal electronic device that can be used to communicate with or access the internet such as: cell phone; tablet; laptop; Chromebook; smartwatch; gaming device (including electronic toys).

In Forestburg School, if students bring their cell phones and smartwatches to school, we are requiring students to place them **in their backpacks** before coming into the **instructional space** (classroom, assembly, gym, Learning Commons, etc.)

Students **will not** be allowed to use cellphones or smartwatches during **instructional time in hallways, bathrooms or other spaces**.

Communication to/ from home needs to happen through the school office.

Students may use their cell phones during break times and lunch.

School Division Policy States:

- **8.1 First Offence**
 - **Verbal warning and reminder of the procedure by the staff member.**
- **8.2 Second Offence**
 - Verbal warning to the student and notification to the parents/guardians by the teacher; infraction is recorded.
- **8.3 Third Offence**
 - Meeting with the student, and school administration. Notification to the parents/guardians by the teacher; infraction is recorded. Additional consequences may include: i) Personal electronics plan/contract, ii) Confiscation of the device, iii) Detention, iv) Loss of privileges (teams, clubs, field trips), v) Other consequences as determined by the school administration.
- **8.4 Continued Violations**
 - Persistent non-compliance will result in further disciplinary actions, with measures as deemed appropriate by the school administration. Consequences may include: i) Further loss of privileges (teams, clubs, field trips), ii) Suspension, iii) Restricting the student's ability to bring a device to school, iv) Other consequences as determined by the school administration