

Forest Lake State High School

Electronic Devices Policy (including Mobile Phones and Personal Electronic Devices)

- 1. Use of devices is to be in accordance with the PRIDE expectations.
- 2. All communication in school hours between students and their parents/caregivers must be done through the school office.
- 3. Devices must be switched off and not used during the school day unless a teacher has given permission for the device to be used for learning. If a student is found using a device for any other purpose in class, teachers are instructed to use the PRIDE processes (time out, buddy, confiscation or red card), as appropriate according to the nature and severity of the misbehaviour. During breaks, there are areas in the Library where devices can be used for learning. In the playground, students seen with a device will be directed to put it away. Subsequent or repeated breaches over time will result in confiscation or the student being referred to the relevant ADP for follow up.
- 4. Students are to use the school Wi-Fi, not mobile data for all activities.
- 5. In accordance with the school's Responsible Behaviour Plan, devices are not to be used to harass or threaten others in any way (e.g. voice, text, images).
- 6. Devices are not permitted to be used during supervised assessment activities unless specifically allowed in the assessment conditions.
- 7. Students, while under the authority of the school, are forbidden to take photographs, record sound or record video without teacher permission.
- 8. In the interests of privacy and safety and to protect the school's image, students are not to publish images, video or audio of anyone that identifies them as a member of the Forest Lake State High School community.
- 9. The school may take disciplinary action against a student irrespective of whether a breach of this policy occurs during or outside of school hours.