

## **Loris Middle School**



## **Phone & Electronic Device Policy**

- Cell phones may be brought to school but must be kept turned off and put away while on school property. All classrooms have phones in case of emergencies.
- Cell phones and all other electronic devices including but not limited to Airpods, earbuds, handheld gaming devices, etc MAY NOT be used or visible and <u>must be</u> <u>turned off once students are dismissed to classes in the morning and remain off and out of sight until school is dismissed</u>.
- Every classroom will have class sets of headphones. It is not required or recommended that students bring personal headphones to class. If a student prefers to bring personal earbuds/headphones to use during instruction, they must be hard-wired.
- When going through morning searches, students should place their cell phones in their book bags prior to walking through the metal detector.

## **Violations of the Phone & Electronic Device Policy**

- For each offense, the phone/device will be taken and returned to student at the end of the day.
- Repeated infractions will result in disciplinary action and a parent being required to come to school to pick up the phone/device.
- ❖ If a student refuses to give up their phone/device, they will receive a minimum of 1 day OSS for refusal to obey in addition to the consequence for the policy violation.
- ❖ Disciplinary actions include but are not limited to: after school detention, ISS, and OSS.

## LORIS MIDDLE SCHOOL WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR BROKEN, LOST, OR STOLEN ELECTRONIC DEVICES INCLUDING CELL PHONES.

- It is imperative that both students and parents understand that the utmost care must be taken in securing personal cell phones and electronic devices at all times.
- ❖ The administration and staff cannot ensure that lost or stolen cell phones will be recovered or that time can or will be devoted to searching for them.
- Students will not be allowed to miss class time to search for a lost or stolen device.
- Parents will not be allowed to enter the building during school hours or unattended after school hours to search for a lost or stolen cell phone or device.

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