

DAILEY ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL

CELL PHONES, PAGERS & OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY

The Morris E. Dailey Elementary School (“Dailey” or “Charter School”) Board of Directors recognizes the potential for cellular phones, pagers, and electronic signaling devices to disrupt the learning environment, and adopts this policy to permit students to possess but not use cell phones, pagers, and other electronic signaling devices while on school grounds, at school-sponsored activities, or under the supervision of school employees. Students who possess these devices must keep them turned off and out of view at all times while on school grounds or at school functions. Charter School teachers, administrators and staff will confiscate any cell phone, pager, or other electronic signaling device that is used by a student in violation of this policy.

All students are required to adhere to the following guidelines regarding cell phones, pagers, and other electronic signaling devices:

Cell phones, pagers, and other electronic signaling devices may be used:

- Off campus before or after school.
- Before any Charter School sponsored activity occurring before the regular school day.
- After any Charter School sponsored activity occurring after the regular school day.
- When a state of emergency has been declared (verbally or in writing) by the Charter School Executive Director or designee.
- When use is limited to purposes related to the health of the student as determined by a licensed physician and surgeon to be essential for the health of the student.

Cell phones, pagers, and other electronic signaling devices shall be turned off and shall not be used:

- During instructional classroom time, including assemblies, and any other school activity, which takes place during the regularly scheduled school day on or off campus.
- During break periods, between class periods, or during lunch.
- During events sponsored by the Charter School held before or after regular school hours.
- On field trips or excursions sponsored by the Charter School.

Possession of a cell phone, pager, or other electronic signaling device is a privilege, which may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the terms of this policy. All Charter School employees shall remove any cell phone, pager, or other electronic signaling device from the possession of a student found to be violating this Policy. If a cell phone, pager, or other signaling device is heard ringing, beeping, or buzzing from inside a jacket, purse, backpack, or other similar article, whether within the immediate presence of the student or not, a Charter School employee may remove the device and turn the device in to the front office. Parents/guardians will be contacted to pick up any confiscated cell phone or other

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electronic signaling device. All other applicable student discipline policies shall continue to apply in response to a student failing to abide by the terms of this Policy.

Students who possess a cell phone, pager, or other electronic signaling device shall assume responsibility for its care in accordance with this Policy. At no time shall the Charter School be responsible for preventing theft, loss or damage to cell phones, pagers, or other electronic signaling devices brought onto campus.