

## **PSD Cell Phone Policy District-Wide Implementations for Grades 9-12**

### **No cell phones – full class period:**

- Cell phones and personal tablets silenced and out of sight
- Smart watches silenced
- No use of airpods – headphones may be plugged into school-issued laptops **unless** specifically identified in an IEP, 504, or Health Care Action Plan

### **Breaks during class:**

- Students will not be given breaks to use their cell phones in class **unless** specified in an IEP, 504, or Health Care Action Plan

### **Cell phones allowed:**

- For specified academic activities with curriculum approved by admin
- During passing periods, off periods, lunch, before school, and after school
- In situations specified by an IEP, 504, or Health Care Action Plan

### **Three-tiered response for violations:**

- Tier 1: A three-strike system is utilized for the first three violations. Strike one involves a warning **or** a removal of the phone for the rest of the day (this is a site-based determination.) Strikes two and three involve a removal of the phone for the rest of the day. Phones can be picked up at the front office at the end of the day.
- Tier 2: After three violations in one school year, a technology plan will be created for the student.
- Tier 3: If continued violations occur after a technology plan has been put in place, the student will receive discipline for willful disobedience.

### **Policy communication & modeling:**

- The three-tiered response plan will be published in site-based student handbooks, newsletters, websites, etc.
- The first two days of the school year will serve as a grace period where these expectations will be taught to students
- Teachers must model appropriate cell phone usage by abiding by the same expectations as students during class time

## **Flexible, Site-Based Policy Implementations for Grades 9-12**

- Designated areas for cell phone usage
- Procedures for turning over cell phones, holding them in the front office, and internally tracking violations 1-3 (not housed in the PSD student information system)
- Requests for parent pick-up of cell phones