

FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ELECTRONIC DEVICES

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<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Definition</p> <p>3. Authority SC 510</p> <p>SC 1317.1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">237. ELECTRONIC DEVICES</p> <p>The Board adopts this policy in order to maintain an educational environment that is safe and secure for district students and employees.</p> <p>Electronic devices shall include all devices that can take photographs; record audio or video data; store, transmit or receive messages or images; or provide a wireless, unfiltered connection to the Internet. Examples of these electronic devices include, but shall not be limited to iPods, MP3 players, DVD players, handheld devices, cellular/smart telephones, personal digital devices, including eReaders, iPads, laptops, and any new technology developed with similar capabilities.</p> <p>The Board prohibits use of personal electronic devices by students during the school day in district buildings; on district property; on district buses and vehicles; during the time students are under the supervision of the district; and in locker rooms, bathrooms, health suites and other changing areas at any time. Cell phones and other personal electronic devices shall be turned off and kept out of sight.</p> <p>High school students may use cell phones and other personal electronic devices if used appropriately and respectfully, as described in this policy, during times and in locations approved by the building principal for specified purposes only.</p> <p>Beginning in the 2015-2016 school year, the Ferndale Area School District will provide each grade 7-12 student with a district-purchased iPad for use in school and for school-related work outside of school.</p> <p>The district will provide a list of iPad expectations, set forth in a contract between the district and the student/student's parent (guardian).</p> <p>The Board prohibits possession of laser pointers and attachments and telephone paging devices/beepers by students in district buildings; on district property; on district buses and vehicles; and at school-sponsored activities.</p> <p>The district shall not be liable for the loss, damage or misuse of any electronic device.</p>
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<p>SC 1317.1</p>	<p>4. Other reasons determined appropriate by the building principal.</p> <p>The building administrator may grant approval for possession and use of a telephone paging device/beeper by a student for reasons determined appropriate by the building principal, with documented approval by the student, principal, and parents.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510, 1317.1</p> <p>Board Policy – 000, 113, 122, 123, 218, 226, 233, 815</p>
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