

Mobile Phone Routine

July 2022

Phones

What

Why

How

If

- Students do not use their mobile phones on site at anytime.
- Devices must not be seen or heard anywhere on the college site.
- All electronic devices must be in bags and switched off at all times.
- All associated accessories must also be in bags e.g. airpods/headphones.
- Smart Watches are allowed as long as not used as communication devices

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- A **‘See it, hear it, take it’** procedure will be in place.
- Phones will be confiscated immediately and stored securely if our expectations are not adhered to.
- For those that break this expectation and refuse to hand in a mobile phone, the college will take appropriate action in line with the behaviour policy.
- This will start at the main side gate and the Royston Road gate – phones will not be confiscated in the car park.

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Why do we do this?

- Less distraction in lessons.
- Reduce screen time, which is linked to depression and other mental health issues.
- To help tackle bullying on social media.
- Reduce poor behaviour linked to inappropriate use of phones.
- We have a duty of care to protect young people from the virtual world as well as the physical one.

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If a student...

Then

Has a mobile phone out in a classroom

The classroom teacher confiscates it, alerts LRR via email and a member of staff will come and collect the phone and take it to Reception

Has a mobile phone out at any other point on the school premises

The member of staff confiscates the phone and takes it to Reception or alerts LRR via email and a member of staff will come and collect the phone and take it to reception.

THE STUDENT CAN COLLECT THEIR PHONE FROM RECEPTION AT 3PM

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Refuses to hand a mobile phone over to the teacher in a lesson

The teacher alert via email/class charts and sends the student to LRR on a sanction 1. Refusal to go to LRR will result in a sanction 2.

Refuses to hand over a phone outside of a lesson and walks away from a member of staff and doesn't give their name

This is defiance on three counts;-
1. Refusal to hand the phone over
2. Refusal to give their name
3. Walks away from the member of staff
This will result in a sanction 2

A PARENT OR CARER WILL NEED TO COLLECT THE PHONE BETWEEN 3.15PM-4PM

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- There will not be a request to put your phone away – it will be confiscated immediately.
- A confiscation is a warning on the board.
- If you turn up late/incorrect uniform AND you have a phone you will immediately be sent to LRR. You must give your phone to the teacher so you can collect it at 3pm. Failure to do so will mean a parent or carer needs to collect it.
- Staff can confiscate phones they can see in your pockets – phones MUST be in bags.

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If

- Students who get sent to LRR still hand their phones in.
- Paper timetables printed for next two weeks.
- Laminated timetables for September.
- Heads of House will monitor frequent offenders and further sanctions may be put in place for students who repeatedly have their phones out on the college site.
- Different arrangements for off site trips and activities.

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If

- We all need to work together to make Bideford College a happy and safe environment for everyone.
- Students who feel happy and safe can focus on their learning.
- Students who focus on their learning make progress and are successful.
- Successful students become successful young adults with choices ahead of them.