

CELL PHONES AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- From Three Forks Districts High/Middle School Student Handbook pages 5-6.

While Three Forks Schools recognizes the necessity of staying current with advancements in technology, use of cell phones/iPods/Personal computers will be supervised and regulated to ensure proper use. The use of cell phones/iPods/Personal computers will not be allowed in classrooms unless specific approval is given by the classroom teacher for educational purposes. Students will be allowed to use phones in the hallways before and after school, between classes, and during lunch. **These devices need to be turned off or silenced during the instructional class time without approval from a classroom teacher or the building principal.** While students will be allowed to have cell phones/iPods/personal computers on school grounds and on activity trips, they are expected to keep the devices out of sight in lockers, book bags, or travel bags to ensure no interruptions of instruction, practice or activities without permission from teachers, coaches, or administration.

At no time will any student operate a cell phone or other electronic device with video or photographic capabilities in a locker room, bathroom, or other location where such operation may violate the privacy rights of another person.

If a student is found using a cell phone or other electronic device in violation of this policy, the following actions will be taken:

1st Offense- The student's phone will be taken away for the rest of the day and they can get it back from the office at the end of the day.

2nd Offense- A parent must come in and get the student's phone from the office.

3rd Offense- The student loses phone privileges for the remainder of the school year and must check their phone in at the office each day.

Students need to become digital citizens and use such educational technology appropriately. Students need to realize what they post on social networking sites, or via text-messaging may be regulated by the school district if it creates an environment at the school that is disruptive to the educational process. As a result, students need to be cautious about what they post online.

Schools may regulate the use of cell phones by parents and other adults while they are on school property. The District is not responsible for lost or stolen devices.

DETENTION

- From Three Forks Districts High/Middle School Student Handbook page 8..

The Principal has the right to issue students detentions as needed. Students will be given a copy of the discipline form. Detention will be held Monday-Thursday. **Detentions will be served during lunch.** Students will be given a notice before serving their detention. If students arrive late they will be sent away and the detention will become owed detention affecting their eligibility. Students will not be allowed to talk, listen to music, play electronic games, or sleep. Students will not be allowed to use their cell phones during detention. Failure to complete an assigned detention may result in the loss of campus privileges. Repeated offenses may result in the ineligibility of field trips and extracurricular activities. These activities are privileges. Repeated offenses will also be subject to the discipline matrix. Moreover, students need to understand that teachers simply fill out office discipline referrals and the principal is responsible for issuing the appropriate consequence.