



Port Lincoln High School Mobile Policy

MOBILE PHONE POLICY

The school acknowledges that some students and staff may need to carry mobile phones to and from school. If students or staff members bring mobile phones to school they do so at their own risk.

The school cannot accept responsibility for mobile phones that go missing, nor does it have the resources to conduct investigations into misplaced or stolen mobile phones.

All contact between parents and students during school time should be through the front office. It is absolutely essential that the school is aware of any changes to a student's routine during the day so that it can carry out its duty of care. This includes having information about whether a student uses the bus to go home at the end of the day.

In order to maximize the learning opportunities for every student, the following guidelines are to be followed by all staff and students:

- All mobile phones are to be switched off and must remain in students' bags during lesson time, study time and during any school activity or event
- The sending and receiving of text messages is not permitted during lesson time, study time and during any school activity or event

It is critical that all students are given the best learning environment in which to learn without interruptions created by mobile phone use in lesson and study time.

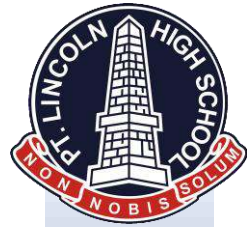
If students are using mobile phones during lesson the following guidelines apply:

- They will be confiscated from students
- The parent/care giver will be contacted
- The mobile phone will be returned at the end of the day after the issues and concerns have been discussed with the parents/caregivers

Mobile Phones with cameras

- Mobile phones with cameras and screens create a new set of privacy issues for schools
- Because of the small size of the phones, images of people can be taken without their knowledge
- These images can be saved and then sent to other people
- It is possible to send these images to the Internet
- This creates the potential for gross invasion of privacy in areas around the school such as change-rooms and toilets
- In cases where there are gross invasions of privacy or where student images are used without permission (such as sent to another person on the Internet) there will be serious consequences.
- In some cases students could be expected to be suspended from school and in extreme circumstances could be excluded from school

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IPODS / MP3

- Students must seek permission from their teacher to use IPODS/MP3 for educational purposes

Without teacher permission:

- IPODS/MP3 must be switched off and remain in students' bags during lesson time, study time and during any school activity or event
- Student files must be stored on separate devices (eg USB) from devices used for personal use

I have read & agree:

to abide by the rules of the Port Lincoln High School,
mobile phone policy.

STUDENT NAME: _____ STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT/CAREGIVER SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

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