



Enfield Middle S.T.E.A.M. Academy

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Cell phones have become distractions during the school day. We are focused on helping your son or daughter succeed. We need your help with helping us accomplish this goal. Students are posting inappropriate pictures or comments which disrupt teaching and learning. They are engaging in group chats that cause conflict among their peers. Halifax County Board Policy 4318 states students are permitted to possess such devices on school property so long as the devices are not activated, used, displayed, or visible during the instructional day or as otherwise directed by school rules or school personnel. Teachers and administrators may authorize individual students to use the devices for instructional purposes, provided that they supervise the students during such use. School employees may immediately confiscate any wireless communication device in use, displayed, or visible in violation of this policy. Based on this policy, students at Enfield Middle S.T.E.A.M. Academy may bring their devices, but they will be collected during first block and returned at the end of the school day. Your child may also choose to leave their device at home. If we need to communicate with you regarding your child, we will call you. In the case of an emergency and you need to contact your child, the school number is (252) 445-5455. Any student refusing to turn in their cell phone will face the following consequences:

- 1st offense - call parent, and parent has to get phone
- 2nd offense - call parent, a parent has to get phone, and the phone stays home
- 3rd offense - OSS due to noncompliance

By working together, we hope to refocus students on instruction and limit outside distractions during the school day. If you have questions or concerns about cell phone procedures, do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for understanding.

Respectfully,

Linda Cooper

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Principal