

HVHS COMMUNICATION DEVICE POLICY



WHY?

Research shows that reducing social media consumption and communication device use will help build strong social connections and support mental wellness. By minimizing distractions caused by devices, this policy will help students be present in the lesson and engaged in their learning.

WHAT?

The use of communication devices (cell phones, SMART watches, headphones/earbuds etc.) will be permitted before and after school, between classes, and during lunch. The use of communication devices will not be permitted during periods 1-5 in the classroom, including Viking Time and washroom breaks.



Communication devices must be put in backpacks or designated storage area during class time.

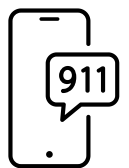


If a student needs to leave the room, communication devices must remain in the classroom.



School staff are not responsible for the loss or damage to students' devices.

If a student needs to place an emergency phone call during class time, they may do so in the main office with permission from their teacher.



If parents/guardians need to contact their child, in case of an emergency, they should contact the school's main office: (506) 658-5359



SMART watches may be worn in class; however, they must be placed on airplane or do not disturb mode.

