

Trezevant High School

2025-2026 Personal Wireless Communications Devices (PWCD) Policy

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In order to ensure quality, uninterrupted instruction, per MSCS Policy #6024, its accompanying Administrative Rules and Regulations (Issued July 29, 2025), and Tennessee State Law HB0932 (https://legiscan.com/TN/bill/HB0932/2025), all Trezevant High School students will adhere to the following cell phone policy while on campus:

- 1. Personal wireless communication devices (PWCD) are <u>prohibited</u> in classrooms, restrooms, and school offices, unless otherwise stated by a teacher and/or administrator (School-Based/District). PWCDs may be used before or after class/school or during a class break, if permitted by the teacher.
- 2. During the instructional day, PWCDs must remain out of sight and on silent mode.
- 3. Unless explicitly allowed by a staff member, headphones and other listening devices may only be <u>used</u> before and after school hours.
- 4. PWCDs must be placed in feeder high school lockers, student backpacks, or another location away from students and their desks during tests and assessments.
- 5. If students need to place an emergency phone call during the day, they should request to use the classroom phone or ask to go to the Main Office to use an office phone.
- 6. Students may be subject to disciplinary action if their use of their PWCD disrupts the school's educational environment. Examples of this include, but are not limited to cheating, bullying, harassment, making social media posts, "going live" during class time, unlawful recording or photographing, violating other school rules.
- 7. The school and its staff are not responsible for any damage to or theft of a student's PWCD. Students must properly secure and take care of their own devices.
- 8. Students and their parents must read Board Policy 6024, along with its Administrative Rules and Regulations, and adhere to the policy or face consequences.

If a student violates the school's personal wireless communication device (PWCD) policy, the following are authorized under the Administrative Rules and Regulations of Board Policy 6024 – Issued July 29, 2025:

- FIRST Infraction: Warning and Device Confiscation by the teacher return at end of period
- SECOND Infraction: Confiscation by the teacher and Parent/Guardian Retrieval (Mandatory Conference)
- THIRD Infraction: Confiscation by the teacher, or Overnight Suspension and Progressive Discipline Action (Continuous Offense) with return of the device to the Parent/Guardian after one (1) school day
- **FOURTH** or **Subsequent Violations:** Confiscation of the device by School Administration for three (3) consecutive days, Extended Suspension (up to three days), and PWCD Campus Ban (temporary and/or permanent).
- REFUSAL TO HAND OVER A PWCD
 - Refusal to hand over an unauthorized PWCD upon request by school personnel may result in disciplinary
 action for insubordination, including revocation of the privilege to possess a PWCD on school campus. For
 the purpose of this guidance, "refusal to hand over" includes, but is not limited to, a student's verbal
 defiance, concealment of the device, or walking away.
 - Any other action intended to avoid compliance with a directive from school personnel to relinquish the PWCD.

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