



WELEDEH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

We continue to have issues with the use of cell phones at school, and would therefore like to remind parents and students about our cell phone policy. As outlined in our handbook, and in the information sent home in the school newsletter, students are not permitted to have or use cell phones at anytime during the school day from 8:20 am until 3:15 pm.

While students are in the building, they are expected to keep their cell phones in their lockers and are not to have them in their book bags or in their pockets during instructional time, break time, or lunch hour if they remain in the school during this time. This policy is in place to ensure that students are not participating in activities such as texting, social networking, picture taking, or making phone calls at school during the instructional day.

If you need to reach your child, please call the office and our secretaries will be sure to relay your message between classes so as not to disrupt classroom learning. If there is a family emergency, please let the secretary know that you need to speak to your son or daughter immediately, and they will ensure that your child is removed from class to do so. If your child needs to reach you, the teacher will allow him/her to use the classroom phone during a break in instruction.

As per our cell phone policy, if a student has a cell phone on them, or is using a cell phone in the building during the instructional day, it will be taken from them the first time and held in the principal's office until the end of the day. If it needs to be confiscated a second time, a parent or guardian will be required to pick-up the cell phone, and if there is a third offence, the student will not be permitted to have a cell phone at school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at school at 873-5591. We sincerely appreciate your support in this matter.

Thank-you,

Simone Gessler
Principal