

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ELECTRONIC DEVICES (Formerly named Telephone Pagers)

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1. Authority SC 1317.1

The Joint Committee prohibits possession of laser pointers and attachments by students on school grounds, on buses and other vehicles provided by the district and at school-sponsored activities. Additionally, the use of cellular telephones, cellular picture phones and telephone paging devices, also referred to as beepers, and any additional recording device including but not limited to: MP3 Players, iPods, iPhones, etc. that can be used to record and play back information by students when inside the school building or at school-sponsored activities are prohibited.

2. Guidelines

The following will be adhered to by all students:

- a. Students should not be called or text messaged during the instructional day. Parents/guardian may contact the school office to have a message delivered.

This prohibition shall not apply in the following cases, provided that the building administration approves in advance the following:

- a. A student who is a member of a volunteer fire company, ambulance or rescue squad and enrolled in the Emergency Response Technology Program.
- b. A student who has a need for a telephone pager due to the medical condition of an immediate family member.

3. Administration Action

Unauthorized possession of laser pointers/or use of cellular telephones, cellular picture phones and telephone paging devices, also referred to as beepers, and any additional recording device including but not limited to: MP3 Players, iPods, iPhones, etc. that can be used to record and play back information by students when inside the school building or at school-sponsored activities are prohibited, and shall result in confiscation of the item by school personnel. And, the following discipline will be enforced:

- a. First offense: The parent must pick student up at A. W. Beattie Career Center on the day of the infraction. This action will be considered a one-day out-of-school suspension.
- b. Second and subsequent offenses: The student will receive an automatic three-day out-of-school suspension.