



Dallas Elementary School

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Personal Digital Devices Guidelines/Expectations

As of July 1, 2024, the Kamloops-Thompson School District is revising the District's student code of conduct ([Administrative Procedure 350](#)) to include the following language as required by [Ministerial Order M89](#):

Comply with restrictions on personal digital device use at school to promote online safety and focused learning environments by demonstrating:

- use of personal digital devices for instructional purposes and digital literacy development;*
- use of personal digital devices that is appropriate to a student's age and developmental stage;*
- use personal digital devices for accessibility and accommodation needs, including medical and health needs;*
- use personal digital devices to support equitable access to learning outcomes.*

The Dallas Elementary Cell Phone/Technology policy addresses the appropriate use of personal digital devices during our regular school day. Personal Digital Devices means any personal electronic device that can be used to communicate or access the internet, such as a cell phone, tablet or other smart devices. As per AP 350.1, the safekeeping of these devices are solely the responsibility of the owners.

Guidelines for Students:

- Students who bring personal electronic devices will be instructed to keep them in their backpacks or lockers for the duration of the school day*
- Use of cell phones is not permitted, unless special permission is granted by the teacher.*
- No use of a cell phone during the recess or lunch breaks*
- If a student needs to contact a parent or guardian, they will ask permission from the teacher to use the school phone*

A progressive response system will be in place for those students who fail to comply with these guidelines and expectations. It is designed to promote responsible personal digital device use and minimize disruptions during instructional time.