



Bourgade Catholic High School

COLLEGE PREPARATORY

Electronic Device Policy

Students may bring personal mobile technology on campus at their own risk. Personal mobile technology includes, but is not limited to, laptops, tablets, cell phones, media players, smart watches, smart glasses and other wearable technology which are **not required for educational purpose**.

Electronic devices for educational purposes are the school-issued devices.

These policies apply to all electronic devices, whether for personal use or educational use.

BCHS is not responsible for lost, stolen or broken items. BCHS is not responsible for any content brought to school on personal devices. All personal mobile technology is to be used in accordance with the school guidelines. In classrooms, personal mobile technology may only be used under the direction of the teacher. The cellular network should be switched off while on school property and the school wireless connection used exclusively. Personal wireless hotspots are not permitted. Any audio visual recording functionality of personal mobile technology is to be switched off while on campus, unless instructed otherwise by the teacher. It is school policy that students surrender all personal mobile technology including cell phones, wearable technology and internet ready devices during course exams. **There is no right of privacy or confidentiality for electronic devices. (Diocesan Handbook 3-1.4.24)**

International students may use a translator device for classroom purposes. The translator device cannot be an application on a smartphone.

Electronic devices which are not used in according with these policies during the school day will be subject to the following consequences. Parents will be notified in all cases.

1st offense: A \$5 fine and 45 minute Detention will be assigned. If the device is not required for educational purposes, it will be held in the Dean's office for one school day

2nd offense: A \$10 fine and a Saturday detention will be assigned. If the device is not required for educational purposes, it will be held in the Dean's office for two school days

3rd offense: A \$15 fine, and a Saturday detention will be assigned. If the device is not required for educational purposes, it will be held in the Dean's office for three school days

4th offense: A \$20 fine, and a Saturday detention will be assigned and a parent conference will be held. Personal mobile devices will be returned after four school day holding period

In all cases of confiscation, the Administration will check for any inappropriate information that may be stored, received or sent on any confiscated electronic device during the school day or at any school-sponsored activity. When deemed necessary, this information will be downloaded and/or printed. The consequences for these violations are at the discretion of the administration. The school reserves the right to expect parents and students to sign a Letter of Understanding. BCHS will contact law enforcement if the student's behavior warrants such a response.