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Secondary Campus Mobile Phones/Devices Policy – update 08/02/2021

Many parents/carers now feel the need to carry a mobile phone as a safety/security measure for their child. However, if a parent/carer needs to contact their child during school hours this must be done through the College Administration as outlined in our college prospectus. Should a student need to go home due to illness or any other reason during the school day, the College will contact parents/carers to coordinate arrangements.

The following 'appropriate use' rules apply with respect to mobile phones and other devices.

- 1. Courtesy and consideration are paramount when using a mobile phone/device.
- 2. Mobile phones/devices must be switched off during lesson time. If they ring during a lesson or cause any disruption to the lesson by any use, teachers are instructed to send the student to the First Aid room where the phone will be handed in and logged for storage. A student whose phone has been logged must report back to the teacher with a 'phone/device slip'. The 'phone/device slip' is returned to the First Aid room (first offence) after school for the student to collect their mobile phone/device.
- 3. Refusal to hand in the phone/device will result in a consequence for wilful disobedience.
- 4. It is advisable to protect phones/devices with security codes, clear markings and to keep them in a safe place while at school.
- 5. Mobile phones/devices are brought to school entirely at the owner's risk. The College cannot accept any responsibility for theft, loss, damage or health effects from mobile phone use. Parents/carers and students should ensure that mobile phones/devices are insured as personal property as they are not insured by the College or Education Queensland.
- 6. Mobile phones/devices are not to be used to take photographs or film other individuals.
- 7. Mobile phones/devices are not to be used to send harassing or threatening text messages or inappropriate images to other individuals. Action will be taken against students who uses their mobile phone/device as a means to bully other students.

Consequences for incorrect use of mobile phones/devices:

Unauthorised use of phone/device	Possible Consequences
1 st time	Slip given Phone kept in L Block
2 nd time	 Slip given Phone kept in L Block Students informed that they will be speaking to a Deputy if it is confiscated again
3 rd time	 Slip given Phone kept in L Block, a number '3' written on the slip. Student to speak with a Deputy before the phone can be collected at the end of the day Deputy warns the student that parents will be collecting in future Deputy writes on the back of the slip that student can collect at the end of the day. Further consequences may occur – including but not limited to detentions during breaks or after school.
4 th time	Slip given and phone kept in L Block, a number '4' written on the slip. Student sent to speak with a Deputy. Deputy advises student that parents will be collecting the device from the College. Parent contacted by the Deputy to inform them they need to collect the device from the College and further consequences may occur if behaviour continues – detention/withdrawal from class enforced by the Deputy Principal.

Disclaimer: The policies and procedures of Chancellor State College may be subject to change throughout the school year. Any changes will be notified to parents and carers through the College Newsletter and updated on the College Website. Students will be advised through email and student assemblies.