



2024-2025 Lutz K-8 Cell Phone Policy

“We See it, We Take it”

Lutz Students and Families,

Please see the state statute and recently updated school district policy regarding wireless communication devices.

Florida Statute 1006.07(2)(f) says “a student may not use a wireless communications device during instructional time, except when expressly directed by a teacher solely for educational purposes. A teacher shall designate an area for wireless communications devices during instructional time.”

School board policy 5136 - Wireless Communication and Other Electronic Devices

At Lutz K-8, All Wireless Communication Devices (WCD) to include cell phones are to be turned off, put away and out of sight at all times, while on school campus. “Out of Sight” at Lutz K-8 means the Wireless Communication Device (WCD) is to be placed in a student’s backpack once on school campus. This includes morning arrival, hallways, transitions, bathrooms, cafeteria, and during dismissal. If a student’s Wireless Communication Devices (WCD) is seen, it will be collected and held until the end of the day. Continued incidents of school procedure violations may result in the Wireless Communication Devices (WCD) being held by school administration.

The use of wireless communication devices (phones, smart watches, ear buds) is prohibited during the school day.

Wireless communication devices (phones, smart watches, ear buds) **MUST** be:

- Silenced
- Kept in backpacks
- **ONLY** used if directed to by a teacher, staff, or administrator.

Wireless Communication System Acknowledgement

Student consequences around wireless communication devices:

1. **First offense:** The device will be confiscated by the staff member, labeled, and locked up. The staff member will notify the parent/guardian and return the device to the student at the end of the day.
2. **Second offense:** The device will be confiscated by the staff member, labeled, and given to the administrator. The administrator will notify the parent/guardian and return the device to the student at the end of the day. A note will be made in the behavior tracker.
3. **Third offense:** The device will be confiscated by the staff member, labeled, and given to the administrator. A conference is scheduled, and the electronic device is returned to the parent/guardian. A note will be made in the behavior tracker.
4. **Fourth offense:** The device will be confiscated by the staff member, labeled, and given to the administrator. A conference will be held with the parent/guardian and disciplinary actions will be imposed by administration.
5. **Any future offenses:** Will result in the device being confiscated and a meeting arranged with the parent/guardian to discuss further disciplinary actions for willful disobedience and possible Out-of-School Suspension.



My student and I have read and will abide by the Lutz K-8 Wireless Communication Policy. We understand that failure to comply with expectations could warrant school-based consequences.

Student Name

Student Grade

Homeroom Teacher

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Sign and return to homeroom/1st period teacher.