

ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY FOR MOBILE DEVICES

There is a range of mobile technology available today including mobile phones, mp3 players/iPods, digital cameras and other similar devices. Turtle Mountain School Division recognizes that all of these have the potential to be incorporated appropriately into lessons, opening exciting new approaches to learning. The increased ownership and use of such devices requires that school administrators, teachers, students and parents to ensure that they are used responsibly and appropriately. (See Procedure 4-V in the Administrative Manual.)

Responsibilities

Mobile technology devices may be brought to school in accordance with the following conditions:

1. It is the responsibility of students who bring a mobile device to school to adhere to the guidelines outlined in this document.
2. The decision to provide a mobile device to their children should be made by parents or guardians and they should be aware if their child takes a mobile device onto school premises.
3. Students must take full responsibility for their mobile device(s). Devices should be clearly labeled with the name of the owner. The school division, school or staff will not be responsible for their loss, theft or damage. Students who bring mobile devices to school do so at their own risk.
4. Permission to have a mobile device at school, while under the school's supervision, is contingent upon parents/guardians returning a signed copy of the Acceptable Use Agreement form to the Principal of the school.
5. Students are permitted to have mobile devices with them at school, including in class. Students are only allowed to use such devices in class with the permission of their teacher. The classroom teacher determines the appropriate use of mobile devices.
6. Students will use their mobile device(s) in a way which reflects the core values of the school division (school), including the values of responsibility and social awareness.
7. Student use of mobile device(s) must adhere to the law. Any misuse of such devices may be subject to legal ramifications.
8. Students must sign the form Acceptable Use Agreement for Mobile Devices in 4-V of the Administrative Manual.