

POTTSGROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ELECTRONIC DEVICES

ADOPTED: February 10, 2009

REVISED: March 8, 2011

<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Definition</p> <p>3. Authority SC 510 SC 1317.1</p> <p>4. Guidelines Pol. 218, 233</p> <p>SC 510 SC 510 Pol. 815.1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">237. ELECTRONIC DEVICES</p> <p>The Board adopts this policy in order to maintain an educational environment that is safe and secure for district students and employees.</p> <p>Electronic devices shall include all devices that can take photographs; record audio or video data; store, transmit or receive messages or images; or provide a wireless connection to the Internet. Examples of these electronic devices include, but shall not be limited to, radios, Walkmans, CD players, iPods and other MP3 devices, iPads and other tablets PC devices, DVD players, handheld game consoles, global positioning system (GPS) devices, personal digital assistants (PDAs), cellular telephones including smartphones such as BlackBerry, iPhone and Android, netbook and laptop computers, as well as any new technology developed with similar capabilities.</p> <p>Electronic devices are permitted for use during the school day for approved educational purposes and/or in approved locations only. The Board expressly prohibits use of electronic devices in locker rooms, bathrooms, health suites and other changing areas.</p> <p>The Board prohibits possession of laser pointers and attachments and telephone paging devices/beepers by students in district buildings; on district property; on district buses and other vehicles provided by the district; and at school-sponsored activities.</p> <p>The District shall not be liable for the loss, damage or misuse of any electronic device brought to school by a student.</p> <p>Violations of this policy by a student shall result in disciplinary action and may result in confiscation of the device.</p> <p><u>Exceptions to Prohibition of Telephone Pagers/Beepers</u></p> <p>With prior administrative approval, the telephone paging device/beeper prohibition shall not apply in the following cases:</p>
--	---

<p>5. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A student who is a member of a volunteer fire company, ambulance or rescue squad.2. A student who has a need for such a device due to the medical condition of an immediate family member.3. Other reasons determined appropriate by the building principal. <p><u>Exceptions to Prohibition of Electronic Devices</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Health, safety or emergency reasons2. An individualized education program (IEP) or Section 504 Service Agreement3. Other reasons determined appropriate by the building principal <p>The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for developing administrative rules and procedures to implement this policy.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify students, parents/guardians and staff about the District's electronic device policy by publishing such policy in the student handbook, newsletters, posted notices, and other efficient methods.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510, 1317.1</p> <p>Board Policy – 113, 218, 233, 815</p>
--	---