



Cell Phone Policy

We recognize that cell phones have become a common tool for communication. However, they have also become a major distraction to the learning environment and are vulnerable to theft. We ask that you allow your child to carry a cell phone only if absolutely necessary. We understand that many of our parents are working, and cell phones provide safety for children who may need to walk home or be alone until their parents come home.

Students are allowed to carry cell phones to school. However, phones must be turned off and stored in a sealed container with the homeroom teacher. Phones may not be used to talk, take pictures, play games, record, or text during school hours, including recesses and during Extended Day. Parent permission to carry a phone must be on file in the school office. The school is not responsible for a cell phone being lost, broken, or stolen.

The cell phone must be kept with the school's main office at all times and turned off. Cell phones cannot be turned on from the hours of 6:30 am – 2:50 pm and 3:00 pm – 6:30 pm if a student is in Extended Day. If a student uses a cell phone during the school day/Extended Day, or if it rings:

- ☐ First Offense: Cell phone will be confiscated immediately, and there will be a \$5.00 fine. The cell phone will only be released to the parent/guardian *via* the principal.
- ☐ Second Offense: Cell phone will be confiscated immediately, and there will be a \$10.00 fine. The cell phone will only be released to the parent/guardian *via* the principal.
- ☐ Third Offense: Student will need to be checked each day by the main office to retrieve the cell phone from that day on, and there will be a \$15.00 fine. The cell phone will only be released to the parent/guardian *via* the principal.

If there are more than three offenses, a teacher, parent, and principal meeting will be conducted where the guardian and student will sign an agreement on procedures the student will have to take for the rest of the school year, in addition to an out-of-school suspension will be issued.

If you see the need for your child(ren) to carry a cell phone to school, please complete the Cell Phone Policy agreement and return it to the school office.

Sts. Bruno & Richard School – Cell Phone Permission Slip

I give my child _____ Grade _____

permission to bring a cell phone to school. I have read the Sts. Bruno & Richard School cell phone policy and agree to the provisions regarding cell phone use.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date