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# **Mobile Phone Policy**

We are very much aware that the mobile phone are a significant part of students' lives and the advances in technology make it far more than just a phone. The school understands that this technology is part of our world and that parents often support their children having mobile phones for safety reasons. The administration has taken the decision to not allow mobile/cell phones at Future International Private School. All students must use an IPAD or another approved tablet for instruction, not mobile phones. This mobile phone policy has been developed to ensure that all students can safely focus on their learning in every class.

### What Students Need to Know and Do:

### 1. Mobile phones are not allowed at Future International Private School.

- 2. Students are not to access social networking sites at school as per the ICT Acceptable Use and Cyber Safety Agreement.
- **3.** Students who choose to bring mobile phones to school, the school will not take any responsibility for phones that are lost, damaged, or stolen.

#### What the Classroom Teacher Needs to Know and Do:

- 1. Mobile/cell phones are not allowed at Future International Private School.
- 2. If the student brings device to school, the teacher/supervisor has the right to confiscate the device, for breach of the mobile phone policy.
- 3. The teacher will give the mobile device to the supervisor and the parent must collect the device from the grade level supervisor at the end of the day. Under NO circumstances will the device be given to the student.

### What Parents/Caregivers Need to Know and Do:

- 1. Please do not allow your child to bring their mobile phone to school. If there is an emergency, please contact the school receptionist.
- 2. If your child is unwell, the child will be allowed to use the school phone to contact their parent or guardian. The school has the responsibility to always account for all students.















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- **3.** The school will not invest time to investigate any theft of any mobile phone or music device that has been bought to the school.
- 4. We will not allow individual students to be exempt from the mobile phone policy.

## **Consequences for violation of the Mobile Policy:**

**1**<sup>st</sup> **offense** - The phone will remain in the supervisor's office until the end of the day. The student will be issued a written warning. The parent must retrieve the device from the supervisor.

**2**<sup>nd</sup> **offense** - The phone will remain in the supervisor's office until the end of the day. The student must sign a behavior contract which outlines the mobile policy. The parent must retrieve the device from the supervisor.

**3**<sup>rd</sup> **offense** - A parent conference will be held with the principal and supervisor; the device will be held in the principal's office. The student will be given a formal disciplinary letter which will be placed in the student's permanent record.

It should be noted that refusal to surrender a mobile phone or other electronic device when directed to do so by a school staff member, teacher, or administrator will warrant additional disciplinary measures up to and including suspension.

\*The phones will only be returned to the parent.\*















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