

January 26, 2009

Dear Parents,

Thank you so much for allowing us to partner with you to, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6 We consider it an honor to work with you to see that your child has a strong biblical worldview.

It has come to our attention that many of our students are misusing cell phones. Our current rule states the following:

"Cell phone usage is prohibited! Phone calls, texting, and other cell phone usage will result in a discipline record being filed and accumulation of points associated with the discipline system. Students having a cell phone out or using a cell phone for any reason during the school day, including lunch and break, will have their cell phones taken for the remainder of the school day. Parents must pick up the confiscated phones from the front office. Repeat offenses will be subject to discipline" (Handbook, page 24).

Students are ignoring this policy and are even going to the bathrooms to text and use their phones. Many are also texting while phones are in pockets and pocketbooks. Just recently we became aware that a few classes were texting each other test answers. This is not acceptable. The integrity of our school and our students must be held to high standards. Therefore, we feel we must revise our cell phone policy to the following:

Starting February 2, 2009, a student may not bring a cell phone to school. Our student drivers may leave their phones locked in their cars during the school day. If a student must bring a phone for after school they need to check it into the office at the beginning of each day and pick it up at the end of the day. If we see or hear a cell phone, we will place it in the office, issue two points on the demerit system, and hold the phone until a parent picks it up. Please know that you may call the office at any time if you need to get in touch with your child. We do have telephones in each classroom for emergencies. Students may continue to call parents in the case of an emergency from our office telephones.

We are asking that you partner with us as we try to develop the whole child by providing a challenging academic environment while preparing them to serve Christ.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jeanae Wheeler  
Headmaster

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Parent Signature

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Student Signature