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Cell Phone Policy Amendment:

Dear Parent or Guardian of Mill Creek Middle School Students:

Cell phones have become a way of life, a technological convenience that has impacted all of our lives in one way or another. However, in the school environment, cell phones have become a distraction and interruption. The ringing of the cell phone during class or the text-messaging takes away from the valuable time needed for instruction. We would ask that parents utilize the school phone to relay any messages that may be urgent in nature to their child. We will do our best to relay any urgent information to your child.

Beginning this year, students will not be allowed to possess or use a cell phone during the hours of **7:55 a.m. to 3:05 p.m.** Cell phones must be off and secured in the students assigned locker. Of course, the best security for the cell phone is to leave it home.

If a student is found to be in possession or use of a cell phone, the phone will be confiscated, delivered to the office, and placed in a labeled envelope. The consequences will be as follows:

1st offense:

- Cell phone held in office until the end of the school day.
- Student will sign for the cell phone at the end of the day in the office.

2nd offense:

- Cell phone held in office until the end of the day.
- A parent or guardian will need to sign for and pick up the cell phone at the end of the day.

3rd offense:

- Cell phone held in office until a meeting can be set with parent or guardian.
- The student will be subject to a one (1) day in-school suspension. Additional offenses will be considered an act of insubordination. Also, a student that refuses to comply with a request to surrender their cell phone by any staff member and/or administrator, will be considered insubordinate. Rules governing insubordination will apply as outlined in the student handbook.

Our goal is to create a safe environment, conducive to learning, and free of all distractions that hinder the learning process. This policy is an amendment to the 2019-2020 Mill Creek Middle School student handbook and in accordance with the USD232 AUP Policy. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the middle school office at 913-667-3512.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Josh Kindler, Principal
Denise Legore Seawood, Associate Principal

Revised: MCMS Handbook Policy - *Student Behavior Expectations*

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