ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS POLICY

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to comply with the requirements of Utah Administrative Code 277-495-3(A).

Policy and Procedures: Personal Electronic Devices are allowed by Weber State University Charter Academy to enhance learning opportunities and not for student entertainment.

- An Electronic Devices Use Form must be signed yearly for each student by the parent or legal guardian.
- Devices must be put away except during times authorized by the teacher.
- Devices and their content are the sole responsibility of the student and their parents.
- The school is not responsible for content, loss or damage.
- No phone calls, texting, or emails are allowed during school hours.
- Electronic communication devices and cameras may not be possessed, activated or utilized
 in school situations where a reasonable expectation of personal privacy exists. These
 locations include but are not limited to locker rooms, restrooms, and any other areas where
 students or others may change clothes or be in any stage or degree of disrobing or changing
 clothes.
- At no time may an electronic communication device be used by any student in a manner that might reasonably create in the mind of another person an impression of being threatened, humiliated, harassed or embarrassed or intimidated.
- At no time may an electronic communication device be used by a student in any manner to access unauthorized information for assignments or tests.
- Devices are not allowed to access the internet outside of the school's filtered network or to broadcast access to other devices.

Unauthorized electronic devices, or if authorized devices that are misused, may be held by the teacher or administration until the close of the school day or until the teacher or administration makes arrangements with the parent/guardian to retrieve them. After three violations, or in cases of gross misuse as determined by academy administration, the student's electronic devices privilege will be revoked. The privilege of bringing electronic devices can only be reinstated through petitioning the administration.

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