## Cell Phone Policy 2015-2016

The Board of Education recognizes that cellular phones can detract from school safety and that it is difficult to manage the use of cell phones in school...the unrestrained use of cell phones in school can be very disruptive. With parent/guardian permission only, students in grades 6-8 are allowed to use cellular phones before the start of the school day (7:50 A.M.) and after dismissal (2:55 P.M.) of school. Using or displaying cell phones outside the allowed time and conditions, without staff permission, constitutes a violation of the Student Code of Conduct and will result in disciplinary action. Before entering the school building, students should "power off" their cell phone (7:50 A.M. – 2:55 P.M.) and make sure it is locked in their hall locker for the entire day. Parents and students are reminded that the school is not responsible for loss, damage, or theft of cell phones.

Students who fail to comply with these expectations will encounter the following consequences:

## The Phone Was:

- 1. **Audible** causing a minor disruption. Phone will be returned to student on the third school day.
- 2. **Visible and powered on** causing a minor disruption. Phone will be returned to student on the third school day.
- 3. **Student talking or text messaging in school** (classroom, hallway, cafeteria, etc.) Phone will be returned to student on the third day.
- 4. **Refusal to turn over phone to adult.** Phone will be confiscated by administration accompanied by a call to parents.

## **Consequences:**

1<sup>st</sup> offense: phone will be kept for 3 school days or 1 day OSS 2<sup>nd</sup> offense: phone will be kept for 5 schools days or 2 days OSS

3<sup>rd</sup> offense: phone will be kept until the end of semester or

Administrative Intervention.

In case of an emergency, students may use the telephone in the office and parents may call 313-827-2802, 2809 or 2810.

TURN OVER FOR DRESS CODE POLICY