

Cell Phone Policy Revisions

At the December meeting, the Jasper R-V Board of Education approved a revision to the current cell phone policy that prohibits students' use of cell phones or other personal electronic communication devices at school between 8:00 am and 3:30 pm. This revision now specifically includes time between classes, at lunch or during Eagle Hour. No electronic communication devices are to be out, seen or in use during these hours.

With the near 100 percent use of Chrome books in the JH/HS classrooms, there is no recurring need for educational use of a personal electronic communication device.

Full implementation of this revised policy will be in effect by January 22nd.

This includes all cell phone or other electronic communication use: texts, application messages or phone calls to name a few. Students may not send or check to see if they have received electronic communication device messages, alerts, or other communications.

All coaches use a type of Remind app to let parents know if a posted activity has a time change. Coaches/activity sponsors will still deliver those messages to communicate directly with parents. If district wide information needs to be issued, the school will continue to utilize the Power School mass communication tool to do so.

If you need to contact your child, you may do so by contacting the respective office and leaving a message. It will be delivered to your child.

With the recent upsurge in online bullying and harassment, this policy change will hopefully help curtail the negative social media activity that is going on during school hours that often drives children to make emotional choices. This protection benefits the school as well as the child and/or parents as ultimate responsibility for online activity rests with parents when children are minors.