

Ranch View Middle School
CELL PHONE/COMMUNICATION DEVICE CONTRACT

Student Expectations:

1. I understand that having a cell phone is a privilege that I will not take advantage of.
2. I will protect my privacy and will not give my cell phone number to anyone with whom I am not familiar.
3. I will not lend my phone for unsupervised use. I will not allow my phone to be used by anyone else to do anything that I am not allowed to do. I will report any lost or stolen personally owned devices.
4. I will not send inappropriate, hurtful or threatening text messages, or send or post any pictures or videos of anyone without my parents' and the person's permission.
5. I understand that I am responsible for the safekeeping of my cell phone.
6. It is my responsibility to report any **harmful, threatening or bullying behavior** (written, picture or video) to Safe2Tell, police, parents, or staff members immediately.
7. I will have my cell phone on "off" or on airplane mode and in my backpack, unless a staff member allows it for the use as an educational tool. This applies to my earbuds and headphones as well.
8. Failure to give your phone to school personnel is an act of defiance and may result in suspension.
9. The effective time frame for this contract is 7:30 - 2:45. I must turn my phone off or turn to airplane mode prior to returning to the next class.
10. I will follow my classroom teacher's cell phone expectations.

Parent Expectations:

1. I have read and will reinforce the student expectation, policy, and contract with my child.
2. I will monitor my child's use of his/her cell phone.
3. I will ensure my child understands the dangers of texting/interacting with people they are unfamiliar with, posting pictures and/or videos and posting to social media.
4. It is my responsibility to report any harmful and threatening behavior (written, picture or video) to Safe2Tell, police, or staff members immediately.
5. I will not call my child's cell phone during school hours as students phones will be off or on airplane mode. Result of this will be a tech violation for my child for disrupting class. Please call the office for any communication, emergency or otherwise, during the school hours of 7:30 – 2:45.

Helpful Tools in Monitoring your Child's Phone:

1. Have a cell phone contract at home with your child.
2. [Dr. Sax web page](#)

Cell Phone Discipline Enforcement Policy:

I understand and accept the school's policy on cell phones. I agree that if I violate any part of the expectations within this contract, the school consequences will be enforced and used as a guideline for school administrators. This cell phone policy starts with the first bell and ends with the dismissal bell. The consequence can be changed at the discretion of the administration based on the severity of the infraction.

1st offense - Warning - turn off and put away

2nd offense - Cell phone confiscated and brought to the office until the end of the school day

3rd offense - Cell phone confiscated, brought to office and parents notified

4th offense - Cell phone confiscated and parents pick up phone from office

5th offense - Cell phone not allowed at school for four weeks

6th offense - Cell phone no longer allowed at school

Child's Name _____ Child's Signature _____

Child's Team _____ Parent's/Guardian Signature: _____

I understand that until the signed part of this contract is returned to RVMS, my child will not be allowed to bring their cell phone to school. If a child and parent do not have a signed contract on file, cell phones will be confiscated immediately and will have to be picked up by the student's parent at school.