



RADIANT INDIAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS & BOYS - SHARJAH

STUDENTS USE OF MOBILE PHONE POLICY 2023-2024:

Rationale:

Radiant Indian School recognizes that mobile phones are an important communication tool. Some parents/guardians request that their child bring a mobile phone to school for before and after school use to provide safety and security for their child. Mobile phones can be improperly used, lost or damaged and it is important that teaching and learning be conducted in an environment free from unnecessary distractions or disruptions. Mobile phones will therefore only be permitted at school where its usage is not detrimental to students or their learning and where responsibility for its safekeeping rests with the student.

Purpose:

To inform all members of our school community about the use of mobile phones at Radiant School by students.

Guidelines

1. Students are not to bring personal mobile phones to school unless parents have gained written permission from the class teacher.
2. Students are responsible for all of their personal effects while at school. The school accepts no responsibility for replacing lost, stolen or damaged mobile phones.
3. Mobile phones must be switched off during school hours. Mobile phones are to be kept out of sight in student's schoolbags.
4. Students can only use their mobile phones before or after school.
5. Special arrangements can be made for access to a mobile phone where there is a need to contact parents/guardians in an emergency.
6. Students must not take any photographs or film other students or school community members without their consent.
7. Students may not send harassing or threatening messages.
8. Mobile phones must not be used in banned spaces. These include Labs, activity room & toilets.
9. Mobile phones must not be used during exams or assessments.
10. Students will display courtesy, consideration and respect for others when using a mobile phone.

11. Misusing personal mobile phones at school or causing a nuisance will be brought to the attention of the Principal who will determine consequences.

12. The Principal may revoke a student's privilege of bringing or using mobile phones at school.

13. When emergencies occur, parents or carers should reach their child by calling the school's office. Even students can use office phone for any emergency occurs during the school hours.

Radiant Indian School understands that students may bring a personal mobile phone to school, particularly if they are travelling independently to and from school.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is school policy for students not to have a mobile phone at school; however, the school understands that in some cases a student may have a valid reason for needing a mobile phone.

Therefore, all students who need to have a mobile at school must fill in this permission slip stating the reasons why they need a phone at school. The class teacher and office will then have copy of students who have parental permission to bring a phone to school.

1. Students who choose to bring mobile phones to school must have them switched off and securely stored during school hours

2. Exceptions to the policy may be applied during school hours if certain conditions are met: specifically, health and wellbeing-related exceptions and exceptions related to managing risk when students are offsite, can be granted by the principal, or by the teacher for that class.

3. The school does not take any responsibility for the safe keeping or care of students' phones. Phones **MUST** be switched off or on silent and stay in a student's bag during school hours. Mobile phones cannot be taken on school excursions or camps. iPod touch or any other form of handheld game or music player **must not** be brought into school. Parents will be contacted if these protocols are not followed.

PARENTAL CONSENT FORM:

Name _____ Grade _____

My child needs to bring a phone to school
because _____

My child understands the school protocols and agrees to abide by them.

I hereby give permission for my child to have a mobile phone at school and agree my child will follow school protocols.

Signature of Student: _____

Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

_____ Date _____

Contact Phone
Number _____

Principal
Mrs.Alka Suxena

