



2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR
ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

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VCLA strongly recommends that students do not bring electronic devices, including cell phones, to school daily. However, should the student choose to do so, the student and family assumes all risks and liabilities associated with bringing the device on campus.

Student and Parent must agree to all of the above prior to any electronic device being permitted on campus and other school related events.

Electronic Devices will be checked in to the teacher at the start of each day and returned at the end of the instructional day or when the student picked up. VCLA staff will secure student's electronic device in a secure location on campus, labeled with the student's name. VCLA highly recommends that the student places a unique identified on the device.

Students will ONLY be permitted to use electronic devices for the following reasons:

- Educational activities as instructed and lead by the teacher
- On School field trips to capture memories of the trip

The following actions conducted on an electronic device are prohibited and will result in consequences should they be violated:

- Cyberbullying
- Threatening
- Sexting
- Cheating
- Surfing the internet without permission
- Playing and Listening to Music without permission
- Review of appropriate and inappropriate content on the internet that is not associated with an educational activity as instructed and lead by the teacher
- Review of inappropriate content on the internet to include but not limited to pornography, drug abuse, drug paraphernalia, disruptive and violent behaviors
- Transmission of inappropriate behaviors and content to include but not limited to drug paraphernalia, drug abuse, pornography, disruptive and violent behaviors
- Slander of another student, staff member or any person associated with VCLA
- Taking pictures, videos or recordings of other individuals without permission
- Taking inappropriate pictures, videos or recordings of another individual even with his/her permission
- Calling, texting or chatting without permission
- Review of prohibited websites and content that is in violation of the student expectations outlined in the Student Code of Conduct
- And any other texts, postings, tweets of information that does not serve to uplift and inspire the students, staff and others associated with VCLA.



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VIOLATIONS

Violations will result in consequences of confiscation up to the device no longer allowed at school or school-related events permanently.

Should a violation take place, VCLA staff will first approach the student that the device belongs to. That student is deemed responsible for whatever violation(s) took place on that device and will receive the appropriate consequences unless, he/she can prove, without a doubt and substantial evidence, that the activities were a result of foul play.

In the event of a violation or investigation of a violation, the student agrees to provide the requested electronic device to school staff without resistance.

A school staff member will confiscate an electronic device and must be given access to review content on the student's electronic device if it is speculated that activities are in violation of this policy or is apart of an internal school investigation. Furthermore, the student agrees to provide all security information to gain access to include, but not limited to, passwords, pins, codes and/or patterns, to school staff for all accounts under investigation.

Electronic Device will be returned to a parent/guardian when the school no longer requires it as a part of school investigation.

PREVENTION

To minimize thief, VCLA strongly encourages students to adhere to the following guidelines:

- Don't give device to another student.
- Don't share device.
- Don't leave the device or paraphernalia unattended.
- Don't trust another student with the device.

By signing, you agree to the entire electronic device policy and do not hold Valor Christian Leadership Academy, its Directors, staff, students or parents responsible for any damage or thief to any electronic device brought to school or any school-related event.

Parent/ Guardian Name (Printed)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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Student Name (Printed)

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