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## HISD Policy regarding student use of mobile phones during the school day

## Student mobile phone use will not be allowed in HISD schools during the academic day.

Student use of phones during the academic day disrupts learning and instruction, fuels disputes between students, and undermines the culture we are working to create in all HISD campuses.

Students must leave their cell phones at home or in their backpacks.

Should a teacher or administrator see a mobile phone on a student's person (even if it is in a pocket, but visible) or being used by a student, the teacher or administrator will:

- 1. Ask the student to hand over the mobile phone,
- 2. Label the student's phone with their name and ID number and,
- 3. Take the phone to the Main Office.

The first time a student has a mobile phone picked up, that student may pick up the mobile phone from the Main Office after school. If a student violates this rule a second time, a parent or guardian must come to the school to retrieve the mobile phone.

These rules apply to all HISD schools. Rare exceptions for an individual student's unique health or personal situation may be made by the Division Superintendent or their designee.