

Student Use of Cell Phones

Our Martha Lake Student Handbook outlines the following procedures for students to bring cell phones to school:

“If a parent feels their child needs a cell phone at school, a **Cell Phone Request** form must be completed and submitted to the principal. If the request is approved to carry a cell phone, the phone must be turned off during school hours and kept in the student’s back-pack. The School District and Martha Lake assume no responsibility for items brought from home. Items brought from home which cause a disruption will be taken from the student and either returned to parents in person, or to the student on the student’s last day of school.”

We are seeing increasing requests for students to bring cell phones to school. However, the understanding of the policy is varied. To keep requests uniform, we now ask that parents and students complete the following cell phone request **each school year**. Students may bring cell phones only after permission is granted.

Permission Request to Bring a Cell Phone to School

(Must be completed annually)

Please allow my child _____ in room _____ to bring a cell phone to school because _____

My child and I understand that:

- The cell phone must be turned off from 9:10am to 3:50pm
- The cell phone must be kept in the student’s backpack during the school day.
- If the cell phone causes a disruption, it will be taken from the student and returned to the parent in person at school or to the student on the student’s last day of school.
- If the cell phone is a continued problem, the student will not be allowed to bring the cell phone to school for the rest of the school year.
- The School District or Martha Lake Elementary assume no responsibility for the safe keeping of any cell phones.

Parent Signature

Student Signature

For Office use only:

For School Year: _____

Approved

Not Approved / Permission withdrawn because _____

Date

Principal Signature