Electronic Devices

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House Bill 379 - Technology in K-12 Public Schools

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Technology in K-12 Public Schools; Prohibiting the use of certain platforms on district-owned devices and through Internet access provided by the school district; authorizing teachers and other instructional personnel to designate an area for wireless communications during instructional time; requiring public schools to provide instruction on the social, emotional, and physical effects of social media, etc.

Amended Florida Statute 1003.02



Electronic Device by the Book

Offense:

Electronic Device: Possession and use of any electronic device without permission of staff. Examples include, but are not limited to: iPod, cell phones, tablets, smart watches, etc.

Cell Phones / Wireless Communication Devices

Students may possess cellular telephones, iPods, tablets, and other wireless communication devices at school, on buses, and at school functions; however, a student may not use a wireless communications device during instructional time, except when a written safety or medical plan exists for a student. Devices may be used on the school bus provided they are quiet, and the student uses headphones or other noise canceling devices. Failure to comply may result in the device being confiscated. Repeated failure to comply will be considered defiance of school rules.



Electronic Device Offenses by the Numbers

23/24 Electronic Device Referrals

August	September	October	November	December*
209	400	421	259	16

23/24 Referrals by Level

Elementary	Middle	High
3	227	1,075

^{*} Partial month data for the month of December



How Many Times.....

1st Time Offenders	2nd Time Offenders	3rd Time Offenders	4 or More Offenses
1,035	167	59	44



Electronic Device Disciplinary Consequences

Code	Description	1st Consequence	2nd Consequence	3rd Consequence	4th Consequence	Subsequent Consequences
ED	Electronic Device	PC, CO, WI	PC, DE	PC, DE, 5 Day SP	Defiance Referral	\rightarrow

CO - Student Conference

PC - Parent Contact

WI - Warning

DE - Detention

SP - Suspension of Privileges (5 Days)



Electronic Device Disciplinary Consequences

Code	Description	1st Consequence	2nd Consequence	3rd Consequence	4th Consequence	Subsequent Consequences
DI	Defiance/Insubordination	PC, ISS or SS	PC, OS	PM, OS	→	→

PC - Parent Contact

ISS - In-School Suspension

SS - Saturday School

OS - Out of School Suspension (1-3 Days)

PM - Parent Meeting



Electronic Device Interventions/Supports

<u>Interventions</u>

Technology is creating a
document that will be attached
to Electronic Device referrals to
assist parents in monitoring
and controlling devices.

Supports

- Behavior Contract
- Device Storage
- Suspension of Privileges

