Maury County Board of Education Descriptor Code: Issued Date: Descriptor Term: 6.312 07/05/22 Review: Annually, in **Use of Personal Communication** Rescinds: Issued: **Devices and Electronic Devices** 02/23/17 6.312

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Monitoring:

- 2 Students are permitted to use wireless communication devices in certain limited situations. Wireless
- communication devices include any portable wireless device that has the capability to provide voice, 3
- messaging, or other data communication between two (2) or more parties, such as wearable technology, 4
- cell phones, tablets, and gaming devices. 5
- 6 A student may be permitted to utilize a wireless communication device under the following circumstances: 7
 - 1. In case of emergency;
 - 2. When authorized by a teacher;
 - 3. To manage the student's health, as documented in the student's individual healthcare plan;
 - 4. When the possession or use is required by the student's individual education program, 504 plan, or individual learning plan; or
 - 5. When the device is being used by a student with a disability for the operation of assistive technology to increase, maintain, or improve the student's functional capabilities.

19 **GRADES Pre-K-12**

- Students may possess wireless communication devices so long as such devices are turned off and stored 20
- for the entirety of the school day unless one of the exceptions above applies. 21

22 **PENALTIES**

- Unauthorized use or improper storage of a device will result in confiscation until such time as it may be 23
- released to the student's parent(s)/guardian(s). A student in violation of this policy is subject to 24
- 25 disciplinary action.
- 26 Students who use, access, or display a personal communication device in violation of this policy are
- subject to disciplinary action pursuant to the Code of Conduct and may have the device confiscated and 27
- device banned from MCPS property. The Maury County Schools Board of Education, its schools, nor 28
- its employees assume no responsibility or liability for the loss or damage to any student's personal 29
- communication device, or for the unauthorized use of a student's personal communication device. 30

1 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION PLAN

- 2 In the event of an emergency or possible emergency occurring at school, parent(s)/guardian(s) shall be
- 3 alerted by a mass communication system.

Legal References

Cross References

1. Public Acts of 2025, Chapter No. 103

Code of Conduct 6.300