



World Language Middle School

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Mission: Each student is highly educated, prepared for leadership and service, and empowered for success as a citizen in a global community.

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Dear WLMS Families,

Update for the 2025-2026 School Year

Last summer, a new law (HB250) was passed that says schools must limit the use of personal devices, like cell phones, during school hours, except for students with specific needs. We have noticed that students' focus, learning, mental health, and behavior can be negatively affected by excessive cell phone usage.

Continuing this school year, students must keep their phones in their lockers for the **entire school day** which includes during classes, in hallways, lunch, recess, and restroom breaks. When students go to their lockers at the end of the day, they may retrieve their cell phones and other belongings to take home immediately before dismissal.

The goal of this policy is to improve learning, student engagement, and behavior.

The steps below are the possible disciplinary actions for not following the policy:

1. **1st offense:** Student puts phone in locker. Students must use their hallway pass.
2. **2nd offense:** Student puts phone in locker. Student must use their hallway pass, and parent/guardian is contacted.
3. **3rd offense:** Student turns in phone to the school office for the day, and parent/guardian is contacted.
4. **4th offense:** Student receives a behavior referral; next steps are at principal discretion.

Please talk with your student about this policy and why it is important.

[Governor DeWine's Model Policy](#)

Thanks for your support!

Sincerely,

Sandra Santos
Principal