



## Bundamba State Secondary College

### Electronic Device Policy (Student)

Bundamba State Secondary College has an explicit focus on improving Student Outcomes. We support the appropriate use of technology in learning and for safety. Electronic devices\* have the potential to aid learning and assist students in managing busy lives, when used well.

To ensure that these devices do not pose a hazard at school the following policy guidelines apply: (abridged version can be viewed in the student diary)

- Electronic devices must be turned off and out of sight at all times during lessons of the school day (8.45am – 2.50pm). Out of sight includes not in top uniform pockets.
- Electronic devices can be used in some ways during lunch breaks.
- Students are not to have earphones visible on the body at any time during lessons or transition between lessons of the school day.
- Students needing to use a phone during lessons for emergencies are to use the student phones located at the Upper and Lower Admin offices.
- To support our Electronic Device Policy, if parents need to speak to their children directly it is required that they contact students via the office on (07) 3816 6333.
- If a student requires access to their device, special circumstances eg. Centrelink call, students are required to discuss the individual circumstance with the Dean or Deputy. In these circumstances students will be provided a device pass to have their devices visible/access to, in the classroom.
- Minor infringements of the electronic device policy will be dealt with in the classroom with behaviour management strategies.
- Major infringements of the electronic device policy may lead to students being instructed to hand in the device at lower Admin for the rest of the day. At this point they will be issued a receipt to show to the teacher upon return to the classroom. This receipt is also used to collect the item at the end of the school day. Refusal to follow teacher's instructions to hand in their phone at the office will lead to further consequences as per the College's Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students.
- Students found to be using electronic devices to cheat will incur consequences in line with the College's Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students.
- Repeated non-compliance with the Electronic Device Policy may incur further consequences in line with the schools Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students.

*\*Electronic Devices includes, but is not limited to, games devices (such as portable gaming devices, cameras and/or voice recording devices (whether or not integrated with a mobile phone), mobile phones, iPods, iWatch and devices of a similar nature.*

***Under no circumstances will the College accept responsibility for the loss/damage of any personal items.***