## Avery Outreach School Cell Phone Use Guidelines

We want to support our students in understanding how cell phones impact their learning and wellbeing and teach them how to use cell phones appropriately. Staff and students will model appropriate technology use as we strive toward improving digital citizenship.

To support student learning at Avery Outreach School, we have developed guidelines for the use of personal digital devices (cell phones).

## Personal Digital Device Guidelines

• Personal digital devices are to be stored out of sight during class time (not on your desk or table). They can be stored in your locker, the space provided by your classroom teacher, your pocket, or backpack.

- Digital devices will not be used in washrooms.
- Smartwatches may be worn, but are not to be used during class time.
- Students are welcome to access their devices during breaks and/or lunch.

# FAQ's

#### How can I reach my child if I need to contact them?

In an emergency, please contact your child through the office at 306-825-9088. The office can contact your child's classroom so you can connect with them.

#### What will happen if my child is struggling with the new guidelines?

Teachers will reach out to parents to work together to help their child understand the new guidelines. Teachers will connect with administrators if further support or interventions are required for your child's success.

#### Why are you implementing these guidelines?

A provincially mandated cell phone ban has been implemented across Saskatchewan school divisions. LPSD believes, and research supports, that cell phone use negatively impacts student learning, engagement, mental health, and social and emotional development.

#### We believe in implementing these guidelines with care and compassion. Thank you for your support!

\*\*\*Avery Outreach School and/or staff are not responsible for the loss or theft of any personal electronic devices.\*\*\*