

## MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL

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It is strongly recommended that students at Mitchell High School do not bring mobile phones to school. The school is unable to ensure that such items are secure and we cannot be held responsible for their loss or damage. If a parent/carer decides that their child needs a mobile phone for safety purposes it is permitted at school under the following conditions.

Before class: (while waiting to go into class)	
	I will prepare to turn my mobile phone off (and/or place on silent) and pack my mobile phone (and ear phone device) away when lining up for class.
During class time:	
	My mobile phone (and my ear phone device) will be packed away in my school bag prior to entering the class room and continue to stay in my bag for the duration of the lesson (unless told otherwise by a teacher).
	I will make sure that my mobile phone is not visible to my teacher at any time throughout the lesson. (e.g. not on my desk)
	I will not access my mobile phone throughout the lesson to answer/make phone calls, write/respond to text messages, play/listen to music, access social media, take photos etc without teacher permission. This includes recording and filming of others (both staff and students) without their consent.
	I can only access and use my mobile phone during class time for educational purposes and with the permission of the teacher e.g. calculator function, reminder/calendar function, to do research, take photos of the board/classwork as instructed by the teacher etc.
	I will place my mobile phone in the teacher backpack during PDHPE, Sport Science and Sport lessons.
	I will hand my mobile phone to the teacher before I go to the bathroom during the lesson and collect it back upon return.
	I will hand my mobile phone to a staff member and/or to an exam supervisor (if I choose for it to not be left in my school bag) during a formal exam in the Hall.
During break times:	
	I will <b>NOT</b> make phone calls and/or receive (answer) calls throughout the day.
	I will be respectful of others around me and be aware of privacy and safety issues related to the use of mobile phones if I choose to use my phone during my break time. This includes recording and filming of others without consent.
Please note:	
	I will respectfully follow the instruction given by any staff member (exam supervisor) at all times when dealing with issues with regard to mobile phone misuse.
	I understand that if I choose to not respectfully follow the instructional request given by the teacher and/ or by the exam supervisor I will incur discipline procedures (e.g. lunch detentions, letters of concern etc) and parent/carer(s) may be contacted. This could lead to a formal caution, before/after school detention and possibly lead to a suspension from school.
	I will encourage my parent/carer to contact the school if they ever need to pass on an important message to me.