Dakota High School 2025-26 Cell Phone Policy for Students

Cell phones and other similar electronic devices are not permitted to be used or be out in classrooms in an effort to ensure a focused and distraction-free learning environment for all students. Students may bring cell phones to school and can use them during passing time or lunch time, however they will need to remain off and out of sight during class time. This includes when a student leaves a classroom to go to their locker or use the restroom. A student requesting a hall pass to leave their classroom so they can use their phone in the hallway or restroom will not be permitted.

When all is said and done, it is highly encouraged that students leave their phones in their lockers while attending class. If a student does bring their phone into a classroom, it will need to be powered off and stowed out of sight. Some teachers will direct students to store their phones in a cell phone wall caddy in the classroom as part of their classroom management routines, which is another approach to student cell phone management supported by Administration.

Dakota High School does recognize the importance that the use of technology plays within our classrooms and the role that it can play in supporting the learning of our students. To that end, Chippewa Valley Schools provides laptops to all students, which can be used in our classes and ensures that they have access to the tools and technology needed to be successful in school. We understand that cell phones are an important part of daily life and encourage students to still use them responsibly outside of class time, however, they must remain off and out of sight while students are in class. Students that violate the cell phone policy can be referred to the Main Office for school discipline which can result in detention and/or possible suspension time.