

# BRAY PARK STATE HIGH SCHOOL

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Challenge  
The Unknown

## ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

Bray Park State High School acknowledges the reality that electronic devices are a 21<sup>st</sup> century technological tool and that technological skills are important to students' future life choices. This policy reflects the importance that the school places on students displaying courtesy, consideration and respect for others whenever they are using personal technology devices.

**Electronic Devices - may include but are not limited to:** Mobile Phones, IPODs, IPADs, MP3s, Laptops, DS Players, PSPs, Digital Cameras

### Personal Technology Device Etiquette

Bringing personal technology devices to school is not encouraged because of the potential for theft and general distraction and disruption associated with them. If brought to school, items must be turned off and out of sight during assemblies and classes. Personal technology devices may be used at morning tea and lunch breaks and before and after school.

### Use of Personal Technology as an Education Tool - Teacher directed use of electronic devices

Due to the nature of some subjects, electronic devices can be useful tools in assisting the learning process. Therefore, the use of electronic devices within the **teaching environment** for an **educational purpose**, is allowed at the **discretion of the classroom teacher**.

However should a student use an electronic device for a **non-education purpose**, the item will be confiscated and **additional consequences** be given by the classroom teacher for **failing to follow teacher instructions** when using electronic devices.

### Recording voice and images

Every member of the school community should feel confident about participating fully and frankly in all aspects of school life without concern that their personal privacy is being invaded by them being recorded without their knowledge or consent.

We uphold the value of trust and the right to privacy at Bray Park State High School. Students using personal technology devices to record inappropriate behaviours or incidents (may include but are not limited to: vandalism, fighting, bullying, staged fighting or pranks etc) for the purpose of dissemination among the student body or outside the school, by any means (including distribution by phone or internet posting) builds a culture of distrust and disharmony.

Students must not record images anywhere that recording would not reasonably be considered appropriate (eg in change rooms, toilets or any other place where a reasonable person would expect to be afforded privacy) Recording of events in the school environment is not permitted unless the class teacher provides express consent.

NO photographs are to be taken in the school or of Bray Park High students in uniform without permission of the Principal.

### Confiscation

Permitted personal technology devices used contrary to this policy on school premises will be confiscated by school staff. They will be made available for collection from the Administration building at the end of the school day unless required to be kept for purposes of disciplinary investigation, when it will only be returned in the presence of a parent. Furthermore, parents will be required to collect devices from Administration in cases where students have had multiple confiscations.

Continued non-compliance with this policy will result in the student being banned from bringing devices to school and may lead to suspension.

Devices potentially containing evidence of criminal offences may be reported to the police. In such cases, police may take possession of such devices for investigation purposes and students and parents will be advised to contact Queensland Police Services (QPS) directly.