

KIPP Nashville Public Schools			
Monitoring: Annually	Descriptor Term: Wireless Communication Devices Policy	Policy: 6301	Issued: 7/1/2025

Student Cell Phones and Portable Wireless Devices

The KIPP Nashville Public Schools Board adopted a wireless communication policy to take effect in the 2025-2026 school year which prohibits a student during instructional time from using a portable wireless device that has the capability to provide voice, messaging, or other data communication between two (2) or more parties, including, but not limited to, cellular telephones, tablet computers, laptop computers, and gaming devices.

This prohibition of the use of portable wireless devices by students during instructional time does not prevent (1) a teacher allowing a student to use a wireless communication device for educational purposes during instructional time; (2) a student from using a wireless communication device in the event of an emergency or to manage the student's health; (3) a student with a disability using a wireless communication device for the operation of assistive technology to increase, maintain, or improve the student's functional capabilities; or, (4) a student using a wireless communication device if the device is included in the student's individualized education program ("IEP"), active 504 plan under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1972, or individual learning plan;

The KIPP Nashville Public Schools Board has determined that if a student is not compliant with the school's wireless communication policy as described herein and on its website or in other materials or handbooks which may contain the policy, a teacher may withhold a student's wireless communication device from the student for the duration of instructional time.

This policy does not in any way effect the processes and communication systems in place or implemented in the future by which parents or guardians of students will be contacted in the event of an emergency or possible emergency occurring at school.