



Mobile Phone Protocol

STUDENT NAME:

MOBILE PHONE NUMBER :

Students are allowed to carry their personal mobile phones in college and to use them responsibly in accordance with the following principles:

- Use of the mobile phone during lesson time will only be allowed with the agreement of the teacher and for the explicit purpose of supporting learning; this does not include listening to music. At all other times the mobile phone will be turned to a mode that does not disrupt learning and kept out of sight during lesson time.
- Students are permitted to use their mobile phone in designated areas in the college building outside lesson time, unless in an area where its use is specifically forbidden (e.g. the Exam Room)
- Any mobile phone taken into a room or other area where examinations are being held must be turned off and placed in a bag.
- The security of a phone will remain the student's responsibility at all times including PE lessons.
- If asked to do so, content on the phone (e.g. messages, emails, pictures, videos, sound files) will be shown to a teacher.
- Students cannot use their own chargers to charge phones in the college.

Unacceptable Use

- Using a mobile phone in a lesson for a purpose other than to support learning that has been authorised by the teacher.
- Refusing to switch a phone off or hand over the phone at the request of a member of staff.
- Photographing or filming staff or other students without their knowledge or permission.
- Bullying, harassing or intimidating staff or students by the use of text, email or multimedia messaging, sending inappropriate messages or posts to social networking or blogging sites.
- Using the mobile phone outside college hours to intimidate or cause distress to staff and students or bringing the college into disrepute be considered a breach of these guidelines in the same way as unacceptable use which takes place in college time.
- Students found abusing the use of a phone maybe banned from bringing a phone to college.

The Headteacher's decision on all matters of mobile phones is final.

Sanctions

- Stage 1: Confiscation till the end of the college day. It is the student's responsibility to turn the phone off before handing it to the member of staff.
- Stage 2: Confiscation for up to 2 days, this will not be over a weekend.

Please note that the Education and Inspections Act 2006 introduced new statutory powers for colleges regarding behaviour and discipline which came into effect on 1st April 2007; these re-state powers of confiscation that are included in our policy.

I have read the information above and agree to support the protocol.

I also understand that Broadoak Mathematics and Computing College take no responsibility for any phone lost or stolen while on the College site.

Signed (Student):

Date:

Signed (Parent/Carer):

Date: