## 📵 Cell Phone & Electronic Device Policy

**Effective Immediately | 8.11.2025 | In Compliance with Alabama State Law**

At River Region Academy, we are committed to maintaining a focused, respectful, and distraction-free learning environment. While cell phones and personal devices are convenient in daily life, they disrupt learning and safety at school.

### 🚫 Important Reminder

**No phones or personal electronics may be visible or in use anywhere on campus.**
All devices must be turned off and kept inside book bags (or left at home). Students may also turn in devices to the principal for safekeeping if needed.

**This applies at all times, in every area of campus, including:**

- Classrooms
- Hallways
- Restrooms
- Lobby, front and back porches
- Any other area on school grounds

### ❌ Not Allowed on Campus:

- Cell phones / Smartphones
- Smartwatches
- Earbuds / AirPods / Bluetooth devices
- iPads, tablets
- Recording devices
- MP3 players
- Any non-school issued electronic device

### 📌 Consequences if Policy is Broken

- **First Violation:** Device confiscated for the rest of the day. Parent/guardian contacted.
- **Second Violation:** Parent/guardian must pick up device and student. 1-day suspension.
- **Third Violation:** Parent/guardian must pick up device and student. 2-day suspension.
- **Fourth Violation:** Parent/guardian must pick up device and student. 3-day suspension.

⚠️ *In all cases, devices will only be returned to a parent/guardian. Any missed work during suspension will result in a zero with no opportunity for make-up or retake. Continued violations may result in dismissal from River Region Academy.*

### 📞 Communication During the Day

Please do not call, text, or message your student during school hours.
If you need to reach them, contact the school office at **334.262.0191**, and we will ensure they get the message promptly.

Thank you for partnering with us to protect instructional time and keep our River Otters focused and successful! 🦦💛