

VALENCIA HIGH SCHOOL

Cell Phone & I-Pod Acceptable Use Policy

SB 1253, which allows the school district governing board or its designee to regulate the use of electronic devices, such as cell phones, and i-pods, as long as the use of such devices **does not interfere with school instruction or activities**.

The William S. Hart Union High School District acknowledges the importance of communication between students and parents, particularly in emergency situations. Further, the District recognizes that instructional time is precious, and school time must be protected from unnecessary disruptions.

Therefore, students may be permitted to have a cell phone, or i-pod in their possession on campus during the school day, while attending school-sponsored activities, or while under the supervision, and control of a school district employee.

Students shall be allowed to possess, and use cell phones or i-pods while under supervision of the school with the following parameters:

- A. Cell phones and i-pods are to be turned **OFF**, and **PUT AWAY** upon arriving to class or before entering **ANY** school building.
- B. Authorization for student possession or use of cell phones or i-pods may be revoked by the administration for **inappropriate** student use.
- C. The District assumes **NO** liability for the damage, loss, or misuse of cell phones or i-pods by the student or another person.
- D. Students are expected to **immediately comply with the direction of any school official to cease the use of a cell phone or i-pod** on campus or at a school sponsored activity.
- E. **Failure to comply with this policy may result in the confiscation of cell phones or i-pods by school personnel.**