This policy is meant to help maintain an educational focus in the school environment and respect the needs of our students to have reasonable access to their phones and other electronic devices. We acknowledge that this is the age of instant communication; however we must maintain the proper educational environment for our students and faculty.

*Remember, with privilege comes responsibility.*

The use of mobile communication devices is prohibited in *all instructional areas* (this includes the auditorium during assemblies) unless it is utilized for educational reasons and authorized by the supervising staff member. *The devices are to be turned off and stored according to the staff member’s instructions.*

According to the Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA) students are not permitted to access the internet on privately owned devices while at school. *Therefore, students who access the internet at school without permission from a staff member while using their phone, i-pod, or tablet are in violation of this policy.* The school Wi-Fi can be accessed if the Wi-Fi Agreement is signed and returned.

Violations of the privilege and/or use of a device which constitutes a violation of other discipline policies will result in disciplinary action. This may include confiscation of the device, retrieval by appointment (parents only), loss of privilege, and/or possible further disciplinary actions up to and including suspension from school.

*You must obtain consent* for any pictures, videos, or recordings of any sort from all people involved in such recordings. You must refrain from any use of your mobile device when in a private area (locker room, restroom, dressing area, offices, etc.). This violation may result in the immediate confiscation of the recording device and additional consequences may be imposed. Be aware that recordings without consent, especially in private areas will result in consequences which could include the criminal code.

The administration reserves the right to make the final determination in each case.

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The S-VE School District accepts no liability for lost, damaged or stolen devices. We require the student’s mobile number be on record in the office in order to assist us with the implementation of this policy.

Since there is limited access to phones within the school environment, parents should continue to call the school office (589-7140) for any emergency situation and the school will contact the student.

If you wish to allow your student to use a mobile communication device at school and you agree to the terms and conditions stated in the Mobile Communication Device Privilege, you must complete the electronic signature page on our SVE website.

Please remember that the student must be responsible for any device. The school assumes no liability for use, loss, theft or damage of any device.

(Note- failure to update any changes with mobile communication information may result in revocation of the privilege.)