

Mobile Phone Policy – BayView State School

From the beginning of Term 1 2024, all Queensland State School students must keep their mobile phones switched off and 'away for the day' during school hours. BayView State School is committed to implementing Education Queensland's 'Away for the Day' mobile phone policy.

If families need their child to bring a mobile phone to school it must be clearly named, switched off, and signed into the school office at the beginning of the day, prior to the first bell.

Notification on wearable devices, such as smart watches, must be switched off so that phone calls, messages and other notifications cannot be sent or received during school hours.

If a student is required to contact their parent/guardian, they are permitted to do so through Corporate Services.

This policy also applies to students during school excursions, camps and extra-curricular activities. It is recommended by the Department of Education that disciplinary action is to be taken against any student who photographs or films other individuals without their consent or who sends harassing or threatening messages.

No responsibility will be taken by the school should loss, damage or theft of mobile phones occur.

Breach of Policy

If a mobile phone or digital device is not signed in before school, a staff member will request that the phone is signed in at Corporate Services.

If a student refuses to hand their device in, the student will receive a consequence in line with the Student Code of Conduct.

Extenuating Circumstances

Students with extenuating circumstances who require a device for medical reasons or other needs, must speak to a member of the schools' leadership team.