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I am writing to both inform and request your support regarding the use of private cell phones and wearables during school hours.

Recently, it has come to my attention that some Baylis students in the 4th and 5th grade have been using their private devices inappropriately at school. Students have been texting during class time, and using devices to create videos in restrooms, and while on the bus. Aside from being disruptive to the educational process, there are serious consequences for unapproved use of cell phones.

The Syosset Central School District Board Policy 4526 Acceptable Use Policy states in part: *“With classroom teacher approval, students may use their own devices to access the Internet for educational purposes. The School District reserves the right to monitor, inspect and/or confiscate personal electronic devices when administration has reasonable suspicion that a violation of school policy has occurred.”*

[The entire Acceptable Use Policy can be found at this link](#) – or on the district website under the Parent Resource Tab, Back to School Mailings.

At this time, there is no viable reason for students to use their personal device during the school day for educational purposes. Moving forward, I am asking that students leave their devices at home. If this is not possible, students will be instructed to keep all personal devices in their backpacks for the duration of the school day. Not doing so may lead to disciplinary action.

Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,



Lisa M. Greiner
Principal