Cellular Device Procedures

*Not limited to phones, watches, rings, and other electronic communication devices

State Law requires districts to create a policy and ban students from having access to cell phone devices during the school day. To comply with this State Law, Buckeye Hills Career Center has implemented the following ban on cell phones, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.



Daily Lockbox System

Morning Drop-Off 8:00-8:20am

- Between 8:00am and the tardy bell at 8:20am, students will place their phones in a lockbox located in their last-period class. Students need to plan accordingly.
- Students who drive to school are encouraged to leave their cell phones in their locked vehicles.

Early Release/Dismissals

- Upon arrival to school students with a planned early release will report to the front office and place their phones in the high school office lock box. Students will retrieve their phones at the time of their early release.
- Students with an unplanned early release will need the assistance of an administrator to retrieve their cell phone from their last period class.

Tardy/Late Arrivals After 8:20am

- All students who arrive later than the 8:20 am tardy bell must sign in at the front office and place their phones in the high school office lock box.
- In case of inclement weather, two-hour delays will be handled between 10:00 am and 10:20 am. Students will place their phones in a lockbox located in their lastperiod class. Students need to plan accordingly.

Phone Retrieval Times

- Students will be able to retrieve their phones at the end of the school day. Staff will open the lock boxes at 2:30 pm.
- At 2:30 pm, tardy/late arrival students will report to the front office to retrieve their phones. They will remain in the front office until the 2:35 pm bell.

Prohibited Use & Disciplinary Measures

- Under this new state law, cell phone use at any time between 8:00am and 2:30pm is not permitted and will result in disciplinary action. Any cellular device is subject to confiscation.
- BHCC prohibits any recording of any kind, including, but not limited to, video, audio, or photos on school premises by students. The severity of the punishment for violating this rule will be determined by the nature of the recording and the student's past behavior record.

As the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce provides additional clarification and a model policy, these procedures are subject to change. The Gallia-Jackson-Vinton Joint Vocational School District (JVSD) is not responsible for any cellular device brought onto district property. Students who choose to bring personal mobile devices do so at their own risk. The district assumes no liability for lost, stolen, damaged, or confiscated phones or other electronic communication devices.

