

## UCHS New Cell Phone Policy (OSU) (May 14, 2018)



On Wednesday, May 2, 2018, the school's SSGT voted to change the cell phone policy for UCHS. While not all team members were in agreement, the policy passed. The team felt the new policy will create a more cohesive school-wide policy. Cells phones should not be on or should be put on silent mode during class time. The new policy will start on Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>.

1. There will be NO cell phone use during instructional time (bell-to-bell). Cell phones are to be off, out of sight, and not in use (OSU). Same holds true when students are out of class (i.e. on a bathroom pass).
  
2. Any phone use during class needs administrative approval (teachers are to notify administration). Student use of cell phones during class time must be purposeful and tied to instruction.
  
3. When a student is not in compliance and the cell phone is out or goes off, the teacher will give a verbal warning to turn off or put on silent mode, and ask the student to put the cell phone away.
  
4. If a student is not in compliance after a verbal warning, the teacher will request the phone from the student. The phone will be given to an administrator for the student to pick up.
  - a. If the phone is taken on Mon/Tues, it will be accessible to the student after school on Wednesdays (from 12:55pm to 1:30pm only on early out days or from 2:18pm to 3:00pm only on non-early out days)
  - b. If the phone is taken on Wed/Thurs/Fri, it will be accessible after school on Fridays (from 2:18pm to 3:00pm only)
  - c. If a student does not agree to turn over phone to their teacher, a referral will be written for the student by the teacher and sent to an administrator
  
5. Should a student disagree with their OSU violation, the administration will follow up with teacher and student to make a determination as to whether there was a violation.