



# DE LA SALLE HOLY CROSS COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

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Education



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## JUNIOR HIGH CELLPHONE / SMART DEVICE POLICY AGREEMENT

### Preamble:

De La Salle Holy Cross College has implemented a new cellphone/smart device policy in the Junior High School in the interest of encouraging independence and responsible planning skills in our learners, as well as expanding the learners' capacity for healthy socialization. Learners are expected to develop skills around self-organization, focus, social interaction, planning and appropriate use of technology during this important stage of their development, and the policy is designed to this end.

1. Pupils are advised to leave cellphones / smart devices at home.
2. No cellphones / smart devices will be allowed in any classes during school hours.
3. Pupils who do have their cellphones / smart devices on site are expected to hand them in (switched off) at the front office between 7h00 and 7h30 and collect them between 14h00 and 15h00.
4. Pupils may not hand their smart device / cellphones to any member of staff for safekeeping, however any staff member may confiscate a cellphone / smart device should learners fail to comply with the policy .
5. Any cellphone / smart device found during school hours will be confiscated, including the sim card and kept at the front office for collection by a parent, between 7h00 and 15h00, Monday to Friday.
6. While devices will be placed in safekeeping and reasonable care will be taken to ensure that devices are appropriately stored, De La Salle Holy Cross College accepts no responsibility for the loss or damage to any smart device / cellphone.
7. Any pupils found making a post of a third party without consent or a defamatory nature, will face disciplinary and possible legal action.
8. Whilst representing the school in any capacity, pupils may not use cellphones / smart devices to record, (either sound recording or video recording) or capture images of any other student, member of staff or visitor, nor post any such recordings or images on any social networking site.
9. The official line of communication is our College App. The use of WhatsApp is not condoned by De La Salle Holy Cross College. Pupils are expected to make plans in advance with regards to arrangements for collection and extramural participation.
10. Pupils are not to be collected around the grounds of the College campus. The collection and waiting area is the Guard House at the front gate.