NO CELLS BELL-TO-BELL

NEW OHIO LAW FOR 2026-2027

Ohio law 3313.753 prohibits students from having electronic communication devices at school

THE LAW STATES:

- **WHAT** - No Cell Phones, Smart Watches, Meta Glasses, personal tablets/laptops, gaming devices, etc
- **WHEN** - Upon arrival at school until dismissal, including lunch and in between classes
- **WHY** - Reduce distraction, improve focus, reduce bullying, improve mental health

VANTAGE POLICY 2026-2027

- If brought into school, devices must be turned **OFF**, stored in **LOCKER ONLY**, and not used until **DISMISSED** from school.
- If a student is caught with a communication device of any kind, between 8:17 AM and 2:36 PM (Bus)/2:42 PM (Car) please see the student handbook for consequences

SAFETY CONCERNS

- The FBI and the National Association of School Resource Officers now say that student cell phones in armed intruder scenarios are more negative than positive. While two recognized benefits are the opportunity for immediate alert to authorities as well as providing parents peace of mind, more detrimental effects cited include:
  - Distraction for Live-Saving Instructions
  - Risk of Exposure to the threat from light or audio of the device while hiding from an intruder
  - Cell Network Jams
  - Conflict escalation from bullying and social media drama may trigger an attacker
- In case of an armed intruder or other catastrophic event, please take a look at right a basic list of our preparations to keep students safe.

SAFETY CONCERNS

*Must be documents with and approved by Vantage Administration

IEP 504 — If necessary as part of a plan

If necessary as part of a medical treatment

If during a superintendent - announced emergency

CONTACTING YOUR CHILD

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OUR SAFETY PREPARATION

Staff alert buttons located throughout Vantage - immediately notify law enforcement & all staff at Vantage including our SRO

Info will be shared via Parent Square, social media, email, website & direct communication

Staff & Students routinely drill & train for emergencies - all drill & train with law enforcement agencies