

## Power Personal Technology Policy

### “Red and Green”

Power Middle School uses a “Red/Green” policy for personal electronic devices. The school will be considered “Red,” which means that cell phones, electronic devices, and all accessories-including ear buds, headphones and chargers-will not be allowed in classrooms or hallways during regular school hours. Students must have their phones turned off and in their lockers all day. They are not permitted to be carried around during the day.

“Green” time occurs when a teacher allows his/her class to use their personal electronic devices for instruction-based activities. If a teacher allows students to use technology, they will be informed in advance and should retrieve the device before the “green” class and then return it to their locker directly after that class.

Electronic devices may NOT be used during lunch time, so the cafeteria will also be considered a “Red” area. We strongly believe that students should be socializing and interacting with each other, rather than with their devices.

*Student violation of this technology policy will result in a three-tiered action plan:*

**Violation 1** -The student will receive a warning from the staff member. If the device is not turned off and returned to the locker immediately, the student will be sent to the office and the phone will be turned in to an administrator.

**Violation 2** - The student will be sent to the office and will surrender his/her phone to an administrator without argument or further conflict. The device will be taken to the office and must be retrieved by a parent or legal guardian, who will also speak with an administrator.

**Violation 3** - The student will be sent to the office and will surrender his/her phone to an administrator without argument or further

conflict. A meeting will take place with the parent, student and administrator and the student must turn in their device to the front office at the beginning of the school day and will be allowed to retrieve it after the final bell.

*\* A student who becomes defiant and/or refuses to surrender their cell phone will be addressed by administration. Administration will follow up and will consider this action as a level 3 violation.*

*\* The classroom teacher is responsible for contacting the parents during level 1 and 2 violations. Administration will follow up with parents when the student violates the electronic policy a 3rd time.*