

Student Use of Mobile Phones

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Mobile phones can create a range of hazards when brought to school because:

- they are valuable items that can easily be lost, stolen or damaged in the School environment
- using phones inappropriately to bully, intimidate or harass people can have serious consequences including police involvement.
- mobile phone usage in school disrupts learning for the phone user and for fellow students.

Casey Grammar School's Policy

Casey Grammar School acknowledges parents/carers may wish their child to carry a mobile phone for personal safety reasons however, the right of a student to have access to a mobile phone at school must be in accordance with the School's policy.

It is our policy that:

- mobile phone refers to mobile phones and any device that may connect to or have similar functionality to a mobile phone, such as a smart watch
- mobile phones and smart watches (except for time function) must not be used during any assessment activities (SACs and exams) timetabled class or assembly, or in any way that disrupts the learning of others;
- mobile phones and smart watches must only be used by students before or after school;
- for Years 7 to 10 students, mobile phones must be kept in their locker and on silent mode for the duration of the day;
- for F to 6 students, mobile phones and smart watches must be given to the teacher at the start of each day and returned at the end of the day;
- mobile phones and smart watches must only be used by Years 11 and 12 students before or after school or during recess and lunch breaks and only in the VCE Centre;
- for Years 11 and 12 students, mobile phones must be kept in their locker and on silent mode during class time. Smart watches are permitted to be worn for time keeping purposes only;
- a student will be directed to follow the School policy regarding mobile phones and smart watches which may include confiscation as appropriate, as outlined in this policy.