

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(FIRST & LAST / PLEASE PRINT)

Student Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cellular Telephone Guidelines**  
(please fill out and return with registration packet)

Many students use or borrow others' cell phone. While these communication devices may be very helpful to the student and/or your family, they can cause considerable disruption to the learning environment. Many cell phones now have music, games, Internet, camera, video, calculator, note-taking and text messaging capabilities. These features have the potential to create problems with peers, provide a temptation for theft, distract students from learning, or provide a means to academic dishonesty. Therefore, we would like all families to be aware of the following expectations and consequences with your student prior to the first day of school. Thank you in advance for your support of our efforts to protect the learning environment at Terman.

**Expectations**

- Student may not use a cell phone during the school day for any purpose including, but not limited to, phone calls, texting, or camera use. The same is true for other electronic devices.
- Students need to keep phones out of sight during the school day, and students should never have a cell phone with them in a testing situation.
- Phones must be turned off during school hours and can be used only before 8:05a.m. or after school dismissal. Leaving phone on vibrate or in silent mode does not comply with this expectation.
- Terman Middle School and PAUSD are not liable for the loss or damage of phones or other electronics.
- Students have access to a school telephone and may use it (with staff permission) during the school day.

**Consequences**

- **1<sup>st</sup> Incident**
  - If item is in sight, goes off, or is used during or in the hallway it will be confiscated, turning into the school office, and returned at dismissal on the school day.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Incident**
  - If a student is found using (i.e. talking, texting, taking photos) any of the above electronic devices during school hours (8:05a.m. through dismissal), the item will be taken away and kept in the office until after school one (1) week after the incident (i.e. an item taken on Monday would be returned on the following Monday). A parent can make an appointment to discuss the matter with a school official and reclaim the phone or electronic device. The item must remain off campus for the duration of the week or until the administrator deems necessary.
  - If the item is a camera/movie camera pictures/tape will be deleted/destroyed
- **Repeated Incidents**
  - Item will be confiscated and turned into the school office.
  - Parents will be notified by school personnel; some items may be returned to the parent only. Phones are not to return to campus for one week.
  - Could be treated as defiance.
  - IF continued, item(s) could be banned from the remainder of the semester/school year.
  - IF the item is a camera/movie camera, pictures/tape will be deleted/destroyed.

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Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_