



Diocese of Metuchen
Student Cell Phone/Electronic Devices
Policy Agreement



The use of electronic devices of any kind can be disruptive to the spirit of learning and prayer that takes place when youth gather to grow in their faith. However, cell phones may be brought to parish youth ministry events/activities under the following conditions:

- Phones **MUST** be in turned off for the entire duration of any and all activities including, but not limited to, youth ministry meetings, church visitation, prayer experiences, liturgies, etc. Cell phones must be kept out of sight upon entering the building and until the student has exited the building.
- If a parent needs to contact his/her child(ren) regarding a late pick-up or other problem, they must call the Parish Office of Youth Ministry or Youth Minister, and we will relay the message directly to your child(ren). In this way we can monitor their safety until the child(ren) are picked up.
- No harassment or threatening of persons via cell phones is permitted.
- Cell phones may not be used to play games, for Internet and email access, for conversations, music, gambling or making purchases of any kind. Only exceptions to this rule include on-site teaching moments that utilize electronic devices to facilitate instruction and/or interaction.
- No pagers, iPods, MP3 players or other communications devices are allowed.
- Those who violate any of the rules regarding cell phones or other devices will forfeit their privilege of bringing cell phones to youth ministry events/activities.

We have read the Diocesan Cell Phone policy and agree to abide by the rules stated above:

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____