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STUDENT USE OF STUDENT SUPPLIED
PERSONAL ELECTRONIC
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The River East Transcona School Division recognizes that the use of student supplied personal electronic devices is continuing to grow and expand. Furthermore, the division recognizes the value of such electronic communication devices to students, families, and schools in terms of communication, collaboration, creativity and innovation.

It is the intent of this policy to manage the use of student supplied personal electronic devices in the school to prevent interference and also support teaching and learning opportunities.

This policy applies to the formal school day, including school-sponsored events, e.g., intramurals, extracurricular activities, and field trips.

Unless otherwise directed by the teacher/school, student supplied personal electronic devices must be kept out of sight and turned off during instructional time. Unauthorized use of these devices may disrupt the instructional program and distracts from the learning environment.

The use of student supplied personal electronic devices to invade personal privacy or contribute to behaviour that is injurious to another will be addressed through the divisional Code of Conduct. Students who use student supplied personal electronic devices to access, upload, download or distribute material that the school has determined objectionable will be subject to the provisions of the divisional Code of Conduct or other divisional policies. Where deemed appropriate, conduct that has been determined injurious or objectionable may also be subject to discipline and/or police/legal action.

Students who use an electronic communication device to send or receive personal messages, data or information that would contribute to or constitute cheating will be subject to consequences as determined by the school.

School officials, including classroom teachers, may confiscate student supplied personal electronic devices from students if they are used for unauthorized purposes or at unauthorized times. Repeated unauthorized use may lead to further action as determined by the school.

The River East Transcona School Division will assume no responsibility in any circumstance for the loss, destruction, damage or theft of any student supplied personal



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electronic device or for any communication bill associated with the unauthorized use of such devices. Students and families are responsible for locating such lost or stolen items.

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