**Personal Electronic Device Policy**

PEDs such as smartphones, iPods, tablets, etc. are now part of our everyday lives. The usefulness of these devices cannot be overstated. As learning and networking tools, they have greatly expanded our ability to access and share information, solve problems, create content, and interact with each other in positive ways. However, in the school and classroom setting, there are many times when these devices interfere with student learning and need to be put away and turned off/ silenced.

Therefore, in order to promote a professional, respectful, and effective learning environment:

1. All PEDs are to be turned off and put away prior to entering first period and are not to be used during the whole school day, including lunch and passing periods, unless authorized by the teacher for instructional purposes.
   a. PED’s may be used at lunch, but only in the designated area. This privilege may be revoked if abuse of the area occurs.
2. Personal stereos or speakers (Bluetooth or wired) that amplify music are not to be used on campus.
3. DO NOT take photos/video with your camera phone on campus. If you harass, threaten, or bully another student via cell phone, discipline will occur and the school resource police officer may be contacted. Repeated violations of the cell phone policy may result in additional consequences.
4. Students must secure and keep their PEDs in their possession at all times. PEDs are frequently lost or stolen and, while staff will make a reasonable effort to recover lost or stolen devices, WJMS is not responsible for their recovery or replacement.

**Consequences for Violating PED Acceptable use Policy**

1\textsuperscript{st} Offense: PED is confiscated by the teacher and taken to the front office. An electronics violation is logged into student discipline record (WAR), 1 demerit assigned, and the PED is returned to student at the end of the day.

2\textsuperscript{nd} Offense: PED is confiscated by the teacher and taken to the front office. An electronics violation is logged into student discipline record (WAR-2), 1 demerit assigned, and the PED is returned to student at the end of the day. Warning given that the next time the PED is confiscated student will receive lunch detention.

3\textsuperscript{rd} and Subsequent Offenses: Parent/guardian is contacted and parent/guardian must come to pick up the PED from secretary, 1 demerit assigned. An electronics violation is logged into student discipline record (DET-L). Student is assigned lunch/ study hall detention, 1 demerit assigned.

Students who refuse to give their PED to STAFF upon request are in violation of Ed. Code 48900 and are subject to school discipline.

If a parent needs to contact you during the school day, they may call the main school number to have a message delivered to you. If you need to make a call during the school day, come into the school office and ask permission to use an office phone.