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Possession and/or Use of Digital Device During the Administration of a Secure Test



Student Policy

Possession:

The possession of a digital device is strictly prohibited during the administration of a secure test.

If a student is observed in possession of a digital device during the administration of a secure test then <u>the device will be confiscated</u>.

If the school administrator determines the student was merely in possession of a digital device then it may be returned to the student in accordance to the school system's policy.

<u>Use</u>:

If a student is **observed using a digital device during the administration of a secure test**, **testing for the student will cease**, the <u>device will be confiscated</u> and is <u>subject to search</u>, the <u>student will be dismissed from testing</u>, and the <u>student's test will be invalidated</u>.

If **no wrongful activity** is discovered on the device then it may be returned to the student in accordance with the system's policy.

If **wrongful activity** is discovered on the device regarding the test at issue or if other wrongful activity is inadvertently discovered on the device then the school administrator will secure the device in accordance with the school system's policy and notify the system test coordinator and superintendent.

Digital Device Defined:

A digital device is defined as including but not limited to

- Cell phones
- MP3 players include I-Pods
- Cameras
- Any other telecommunication devices capable of capturing or relaying information