

Formal Smart Phone Agreement

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The parent(s) or guardian(s) of _____ (“CHILD”) hereby allow CHILD the privilege of owning and using a “smart” cellular telephone, provided the following conditions are met:

1. Allowed Hours of Operation

Talking, texting (incl. any form of chat or instant messaging), Internet access, or games are only allowed during the following hours: _____. At all other times, the phone may only be used as an alarm clock, calendar, or time management tool, and the ringer volume will be set to silent (or vibrate). No calls or messages may be answered outside of the stated hours -- CHILD's friends will simply need to wait until the next day to get a reply.

2. Regular Charging Station

Every night, the phone will be stationed for charging at the following location: _____. It will be plugged in for charging so the phone is charged for use on the next day.

3. Regular Carry Location

When traveling with the phone, it will be held in the following location: _____. If, at any time, the phone is in neither in the regular carry location, nor in the regular charging station, it will be immediately reported as missing to the parent(s) or guardian(s).

4. Web Usage

When at home, the phone will only be used to access the web using the home WiFi (802.11) network, so the phone is subject to the additional security of the home network's firewall and filtering rules.

5. Camera Usage

Any pictures taken with the phone should be considered private, and will be not posted publicly (especially to the Internet) without prior approval from the parent(s) or guardian(s). CHILD will not use the camera to take any inappropriate pictures.

6. Maintenance

Sometimes smart phones need to be rebooted, due to software failure. But if the phone malfunctions regularly, or if the battery life in standby mode becomes less than 4 hours, CHILD will notify the parent(s) or guardian(s) so the phone can be repaired or replaced.

Generally, the phone shall always be left powered on and in standby mode. If CHILD will be outside of cell phone coverage area for more than 2 hours, the phone may be powered off for that period to conserve battery power.

7. Software Applications

CHILD must receive verbal permission from the parent(s) or guardian(s) before installing any 3rd party applications. CHILD must also obtain verbal permission for the price of any non-free (for-pay) applications.

8. Borrowing

CHILD's friends may only borrow the phone to call their parents.

9. School

CHILD must comply with all school regulations regarding cell phone usage.

10. Phone Etiquette

CHILD must practice the following rules of cell phone etiquette:

- The person in front of you has priority over the cell phone. If CHILD is in a conversation with someone, CHILD will silence any incoming calls and reply to the call afterwards.
- CHILD will not have a phone conversation in a restaurant. CHILD will excuse himself/herself and step outside to have a phone conversation.
- CHILD will silence and store the phone during any movie, play, or other performance.
- CHILD will not use the phone while in a restroom.

11. Acknowledgement of Privilege

CHILD acknowledges that cell phone ownership is a privilege that may be revoked at any time, for any reason. The parent(s) or guardian(s) may separately require partial or complete payment for the monthly expense of having a cell phone account.

Signed:

CHILD's Signature

Date