



# SD64 Personal Device Usage in Schools

## December 10, 2025

Ministerial Order/  
Provincial Standards

Policy Statement - Personal Digital Device  
(Cell Phone) Restrictions in Schools

Provincial Standards for  
Codes of Conduct Order

Gulf Islands  
SD64  
Administrative  
Practices

Policy 2.10 Inclusive and  
Respectful Environments

Schools - Codes of  
Conduct

AP A13 - School Code of  
Conduct Checklist

AP L2 - Student Use of  
Personal Devices

Schools Codes  
of Conduct

To promote online safety and maintain focused learning environments, use of personal devices is not permitted except in...

- special circumstances: accessibility, accommodations, medical or health needs
- teacher discretion - instructional purposes or learning support tasks to enhance learning engagement and understanding

Digital Literacy

- Safer Schools digital literacy support resources, virtual sessions schools and families
- Digital literacy provided through PHE (Physical Health Education), CLC, REAL 8 & 9 curriculum, Career Education, English Studies, Law
- District Technology teacher and SLP in-service training, supports
- Provincial training (SETBC) for specialized software - AAC device
- Digital literacy instruction as per curriculum
- Information/info Bulletins to parents throughout the year

Application  
of Tools

- Research projects
- Class websites, blogs, posts for sharing
- Assistive technology (speech to text, magnifier for vision support)
- Communication tool eg. TouchChat
- Videos/photos for assignments/ projects
- Medical - diabetes monitoring
- Accommodations - music for self-regulation
- District devices for literacy instruction and research,
- Fieldwork - eg. plant identification
- Podcasts on school-related projects, assignments
- Online learning platforms; digital classroom platforms (TEAMS and Microsoft 365 tools)