



# WAITAKI BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

“Inspiring young men of outstanding character”

## Mobile phone and digital devices policy

### Outcome statement

That students' education is not interfered with, or that they are not disturbed by, mobile phones and digital devices that are not being used for educational purposes. The board's primary objective is to ensure that every student at the school is able to attain his highest possible standard in educational achievement in a safe environment.

### Scoping

Waitaki Boys' High School is committed to

- valuing and protecting the school day as a time for students to engage with teaching and learning.
- encouraging our students to be actively involved with each other and in the wider life of school.
- developing the self-confidence and resilience required to minimise dependency upon social media.
- fostering face to face connection and a sense of belonging in our school community.
- keeping our students safe from cyber-bullying.

This policy covers all students of the school.

### Delegations

The board delegates the day to day management of the school to the Principal/Rector.

### Expectations and limitations

For the purposes of this policy a digital device means all devices excluding only laptops, tablets, chromebooks etc that are used for educational purposes during class time as per BYOD.

The Rector must

- have in place and implement a mobile phone and digital devices procedure.
- ensure all students and staff and parents/whanau are made aware of the procedures at least annually.
- ensure all prospective students and their parents/whanau have the procedures outlined at enrolment.
- ensure all staff are conversant with and appropriately trained in the procedure and it's correct implementation.
- ensure the procedures and its implementation do not breach the Ministry surrender and retention guidelines.
- consult with students, parents/whanau, staff and board of trustees before any changes are made to the procedure.

### Procedures/supporting documentation

Mobile phone and digital devices procedure.

### Monitoring

School to enter own monitoring and reporting procedures.

### Legislative compliance

Education Act 1989 (including Education, Surrender, Retention and Search rules 2013 – Section 139AAH).