



Claremont Special Personal Mobile Phone or Smart Watch Policy

(Personal Mobile Phone or Smart Watch including a phone component)

Community Expectations:

In consultation with the broader school community, Claremont Special School has identified:

- Senior students (in years 10-12 only) and approved students in UM school may bring their mobile phones to school
- Senior students (in years 10-12 only) and approved students in UM school will complete a Student Agreement for the use of a personal mobile phone at school, and agree to the school expectations
- Mobile phones are not permitted to be brought to school by students in years prep to year 9 with the exception of approved students in UM school
- **Contact with parents during school contact hours will be through the school administration office only**

School Expectations	Unacceptable Behaviours
Senior students at Claremont Special School: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • may use mobile phones for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ assigned class work set by teachers e.g. computation skills ➢ developing functional literacy, numeracy and communication skills • will be courteous, considerate and respectful of others when using a mobile phone • will switch off and place out of sight during classes, when these devices are not being used in a teacher-directed activity to enhance learning • must seek principal's approval where they wish to use a mobile device under special circumstances e.g. Transport to and from school on a bus • must seek principal approval when using a mobile phone as a support for anxiety and aiding calming behaviours, and abide by the contract established by the principal, parent and teacher for this purpose 	It is unacceptable to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use a mobile phone in an unlawful manner e.g. recording a video or taking photos of staff and students • invade someone's privacy by recording personal conversations or daily activities and/or the further distribution (e.g. forwarding, texting, uploading) of such material • download, distribute or publish offensive messages or pictures • use the device to engage in bullying and/or harassment of another • share their own or others' personal information and/or images which could result in risk to themselves or another person's safety • ignore teacher directions regarding the use of mobile phones within the school community which may include accessing social media during class time • use a mobile phone in technology-free designated spaces or times
Students who do not follow these expectations will have their mobile phone confiscated for the day, and the parents notified. If the student refuses to provide their mobile phone to the office or roll class teacher, the parent/guardian will be contacted by admin to collect the mobile phone from the school, and student permission to use their mobile phone within the school environment will be withdrawn by administration.	

I understand and agree to support the school in the implementation of the above guidelines.

Parent Name:

Signature: **Date:**