

Ruapehu College

Cellphones and Other Personal Digital Devices

A personal digital device is any privately-owned digital device that is not part of any approved Bring Your Own Device (BYOD).¹

Ruapehu College **does not allow students to use personal digital devices** such as: cellphones, smartwatches, headphones or any other personal devices that are not approved.

Discussion of the school rules about personal digital devices happen at the beginning of the year, and throughout the year as needed. Any changes to the rules are communicated to students and the college community.

Parent/Caregiver and student responsibilities

If a parent or caregiver needs to contact their child urgently during the day, they can contact the office.

If a student needs to contact their parent or caregiver urgently during the day, they go to the office to contact home.

The college does not accept responsibility for lost, damaged, or stolen **approved BYOD** brought to the college, but investigates any issues as appropriate.

Students are expected to abide by the User Device Agreement and the Student BYOD Agreement when using an approved BYOD device on college grounds or the college network.

Breaches

If a student has a personal digital device on school grounds, **it will be confiscated.**

For a first offense, the student locks the device, the staff member gives it to the office to be collected at the end of the day by the student.

For further offenses, the device is confiscated and held at the office until collected by a parent or caregiver. The student will also have further consequence such as those listed below.

Consequences:

- Conditions
- Internal stand-down
- Section 45
- Stand-down

¹ Appendix A