



Northeast College Preparatory High School

940 Fernwood Park
Rochester, NY 14609



August 26, 2021

Dear Northeast Students & Families,

For the 2021-22 school year, we will be reinstating our electronics policy. Cell phones will not be permitted in school. If students choose to bring these devices to school, they will be collected at scanning upon entrance into the building and returned at the end of the day. The use of personal electronic devices interrupts our students' learning and impacts the safety of the school community. **Students will always be able to make phone calls home through our main office and parents should not hesitate to call our main office at 324-9273 if they need to get a message to their child.**

Each morning, students enter the building and place their cell phone/electronic device in a padded envelope labeled with their name. The envelope is placed in a bin and secured in a locked location for the remainder of the day. Students will have cell phones returned to their possession during 8th period each day. This is a procedure in place at many schools across the district and once familiar, becomes seamless.

Please note the only time a device will not be given to a student at the end of the day is if it is confiscated by a teacher or administrator during the school day. Typically, this is due to a student trying to sneak a phone into school. At that point, the device must be picked up by a parent/guardian. Student laptops will not be taken upon arrival.

Note: The reason this letter is arriving to you late is due to our exploration of a different method to address cell phones. This method would allow students to have their cell phones in their possession the entire day by utilizing locking pouches that can be locked and unlocked at the beginning and end of every day. However, we were unable to get it in place for September. We are still actively pursuing the resources and will update our entire school community as soon as we can secure them.

Please remember to follow us on our [school website](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram \(@RCSDNE\)](#). The website can be found at www.rcsdk12.org/NE. If you have any questions or thoughts, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mr. Dave Passero
Principal

