



Phone Policy

Phones are a distraction to students during independent study and detract students from their learning. In accordance with the NOA Phone policy, phones should not be used around the academy. Following a long absence from learning, we are looking to remove all distractions from students and their peers to allow for a phone free environment. We believe successful outcomes come from being a studious, independent learner and managing time and distractions effectively.

Phones are **not** permitted in the sixth form area during the school day:

- Lessons
- Tutor
- Study sessions
- Homestudy (whilst on site)

Phones **are** permitted

- Break
- Lunch
- After or before school day (before 8.30am and after 3.30pm)

Phones can be dropped off into the blue tray in the sixth form office at the start of the day and locked away until 3.30pm if you wish.

We will also have an option for students to voluntarily 'hand over' their phones at the start of their study session if they cannot manage their time effectively with their phone on their person.

- We **will not** be confiscating phones but will ask students to leave site after **3 warnings** from staff
- In serious incidents where students refuse to leave site or behave appropriately toward staff following their 3 warnings, the student will be invited to meet the Head of Sixth Form to discuss concerns around their commitment to learning before being allowed back into lessons; this will also need to be attended by parents.

By accepting your place in sixth form you agree to the policies we have in place to support your learning. This also includes the dress code, attendance and commitment to learning policy which you have already received.