## **BALGOWNIE PUBLIC SCHOOL**

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## APPLICATION FOR A STUDENT PERMIT TO BRING A MOBILE PHONE TO SCHOOL - 2021

(to be filled in by parent/guardian)

I wish to make application for my child to bring a mobile phone to school and have discussed the following conditions with him/her:

- 1. The school cannot accept responsibility for <u>loss or theft</u> of any personal property belonging to students, including phones. <u>Security is the responsibility of the student alone.</u> We do not have the resources to investigate incidences of theft. Mobile phones must never be left unattended in bags, or on desks.
- 2. It may be appropriate for some students who <u>travel long distances</u>, to carry a mobile phone for reasons of personal safety, or where parents may need to contact students outside of school hours while en route to and from school. (Parents should note that the carrying of a mobile phone might make students a target for attack as they travel to and from school.) Complete the form below, <u>detach</u> & return to the school office if you wish to apply for a permit for your child & only if you accept the stated conditions.
- 3. If it is necessary for your child to bring a phone to school for the above reason, they must hand the phone into the front office on arrival at school and collect it from the front office at the end of the day. The phone will be signed in and out by the student. It will be locked away for safe keeping for the duration of the day. It is the responsibility of the student to collect their phone from the office at the end of the school day.
- 4. No call may be made to taken before or after school while a student is on the school grounds. <u>Urgent calls may be</u> directed through the front office.
- 5. Violation of rules 1-3 will result in suspension from school for one day and may also result in the permit being cancelled either permanently or for a specified period of time.

It should be noted that permission to bring a mobile phone to school is <u>not automatic</u>. In the past students have used mobile phones to call "friends" to the school during the school day and this has had the potential to create conflict. The disruption to class caused by phones ringing and the sending and receiving of text messages is unacceptable. You are reminded that it can be an offence, reportable to police, to use mobile phones for the purpose of bullying and/or intimidating other people. Our mobile phone policy helps to reduce the incidence of cyber-bullying.

	•	conditions for your records and future reference
NAME:		CLASS:
MOBILE PHONE :NUMBER:		
REASON FOR APPLICATION:		
school hours. He/She accepts full response request to a teacher.	onsibility for its care and	phone to school. He/She agrees to keep it turned off during agrees to carry the permit at all times and show it upon ILL RESULT IN MY CHILD BEING SUSPENDED FROM SCHOOL.
Parent's Signature		Student's Signature
OFFICE USE ONLY: Mobile Phone Granted: Y / N	Signed:	Principal /Assistant Principal
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