



John Lewis Invictus Academy



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Cell Phone Policy: Keeping Our Students Focused!

Dear John Lewis Invictus Academy Families,

Welcome to Open House! We're excited for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year and want to share an important update about cell phones at school.

Georgia law now requires all K-8 students to be **cell phone-free during the school day**. To help us create the best learning environment, we'll be using **Yondr pouches/ lock boxes** to manage cell phones.

Here's How It Works:

- **Arrival:** When students arrive, they'll place their cell phone in a Yondr pouch/ lock box, which will be secured in a keyed lock by grade level teams.
- **Storage:** We'll collect and securely store these sealed pouches by grade level in a designated area in the main office. Students will **not** keep their pouches with them.
- **Dismissal:** In the last class of the day, students will get their sealed pouch back. They can then unseal it as they leave school.
- **Early Dismissal:** Any student being checked out early by a guardian will have their phone returned to them in the main office before they leave.

Why This Policy?

- **Less Distraction:** Students can focus fully on learning without phone interruptions.
- **More Interaction:** Encourages students to talk and connect with each other and their teachers.
- **Better Learning:** Helps create a calm and focused classroom where everyone can thrive.
- **Following the Law:** This helps all Atlanta Public Schools remain in compliance with the mandate from our Governor

Thank you for your support in making John Lewis Invictus Academy a great place to learn!

Sincerely,

Langston Longley

Principal