



Student Ministry Cell Phone Policy

Purpose

To set expectations on cell phone use during student ministry programming. To provide guidelines for leaders to utilize as it pertains to device usage.

What is appropriate cell phone use for student ministry?

Cell phones are allowed during Ground Zero and Revolution in both small and large group settings. This is not a free reign to using their phones as they want but the purpose is to allow the student to dive deeper into the study or discussion by pulling up the bible app on their phone. It is encouraged that they take notes and can use their phones to do so.

Students will be discouraged from using their devices in a way that distracts themselves or others. If students continue to distract others with their devices during large group or small group, the appropriate disciple actions will come into play from the disciple policy.

What is appropriate action for leaders?

Under no circumstance will a leader confiscate the phone of a student. The phone is to be treated as part of the student's body and therefore should not be touched.

This is to protect our church and the leader as well as respect the student's property. If a leader sees a student that is continually distracting **others** with their cell phone use it is appropriate for the leader to take correlating action from the discipline policy i.e. redirect, report, remove.

Students who are only distracting themselves with device use will only progress to the redirect step of the discipline policy.