



**2009-2010**  
**Frequently Asked Questions**  
**RE: Parking & Electronic Devices (cell phone, IPOD, etc.)**

With a new school year about to begin, the Administration at JMHS is committed to providing a safe and secure learning environment for all our students. The “*Student Responsibilities and Rights*” will be reviewed with the entire student body on Wednesday, September 9, 2008 and sent home for your reference. Please ask your student to return the signed Parent/Guardian and Student Signature Sheet the following day. Your signature acknowledges that you have read and reviewed the SR&R, not that you agree with all the elements as stated.

What follows is a summary of the most common daily discipline incidents and the Madison response to each. Please review the items listed below and discuss each with your son or daughter.

1. Parking permits (\$200/year) will be issued for specific lots this year, not specific spaces. Students may park in any space in the lot to which they are assigned. However, students with parking permits who leave school grounds without permission will receive an after school detention and lose their permit for the remainder of the year. Underclassmen will not be eligible to purchase a permit the following year as well.

2. Students without parking permits who leave school grounds without permission will receive a detention and will not be allowed to purchase a parking permit when they are eligible.

3. Cell phones/IPODs/electronic devices must be out of sight and turned off during regular school hours. Such devices will be confiscated by the school if used by students during the school day. In accordance with FCPS policy, the phone/electronic devices will only be returned to a parent according to the following schedule:

- ✓ **First Offense: warning;** parent can retrieve cell phone/electronic device after 2:10 p.m. on the day of the infraction
- ✓ **Second Offense: after school detention;** parent can retrieve cell phone/electronic device after 2:10 p.m. on the day of the infraction
- ✓ **Third Offense: after school detention; conference with assistant principal** prior to parent retrieving cell phone/electronic device.

**JMHS will not accept the liability of replacing any electronic devices, e. g., cell phones, IPODs, electronic games, etc.** These should be left at home and will be subject to confiscation at school. Students who choose to bring these devices to school accept full responsibility for them.

While we recognize that some may feel these restrictions to be inconvenient, we are firmly committed to providing your son/daughter a learning environment with minimal disruptions to the school day. We appreciate your support and cooperation as we look forward to another great school year at James Madison High School.

JMHS Administration

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