## **UNAUTHORIZED COMMUNICATION DEVICES**

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New Hampshire law mandates a "bell-to-bell" cell phone ban in schools. The Virtual Learning Academy Charter School operates exclusively as a virtual school; students do not attend classes in a physical school building. Furthermore, virtual school students "go to school" by using the very devices that the law prohibits. Consequently, the traditional methods of implementing such a policy, such as physical collection of devices or direct in-person monitoring by school staff, are not feasible. Therefore, while the school is not exempt from developing and adopting a policy consistent with the state law's intent, the enforcement and procedural implementation of this law is not possible. Students are expected to adhere to the rules applicable to their working environment, which may include public schools, charter schools, home education, libraries, etc.

Law Reference: New Hampshire RSA 189:1-a, V

Appendix Reference:

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