



Mobile Phone Pouch Student Expectations

The implementation of the POUCH Program at Liverpool Girls High School is designed to support students to use mobile phones, and adjacent technology in a responsible and ethical manner. It provides a 'phone-free' space which encourages students to develop the skills to interact positively with their peers and teachers, and to fully immerse themselves in the learning process.

Each student will be allocated a pouch and expected to have their phone SWITCHED OFF and secured in the pouch for the duration of the school day. Pouches are not to be marked except for the student's name written on the front. Students are not permitted to have headphones, airpods or earbuds connected to their device via Bluetooth.

The expectation is that students follow the process below when entering and exiting the school:

1. Place the phone in the pouch upon arrival and press the locking pin to secure the device for the duration of every school day. Pouched phones are then checked during roll call. The pouch and phone must remain in the student's bag all day. Students are then able to unlock pouches at one of the unlocking stations as students depart for the day.
2. Classroom teachers and executives will regularly check that students have their phones locked in their POUCH and spot checks may be conducted during roll call and lessons throughout the day. Students will not have access to their phones during break times. The school canteen will accept cash or card only.
3. For students who choose not to bring a phone to school, they must still bring their POUCH each day.
4. At the end of the school day, students will be able to unlock their POUCH using the unlocking stations situated at exits and strategic locations around the school. Students are then to secure their POUCH in their bag for the following day. For students who require an early departure or late arrival, an unlocking station will be available at the front office upon signing in/out for the day.
5. In the event of an emergency, parents and caregivers can ring the school if they require a message to be given to their child on PH: 9602 0083. If a student is unwell whilst at school, they MUST follow the school procedures and attend sick bay where school staff will then contact home. It is not acceptable for a student to call home themselves.
6. If a student damages or loses a POUCH, then a replacement pouch will incur a cost to the student.