



Wearable Technology and Smart Devices

Definition:

“Wearable Technology” refers to any electronic device worn on the body that can connect to the internet, sync with external applications, or capture media. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Smartwatches (e.g., Apple Watch, Samsung Galaxy Watch)
- AI-enabled smart glasses or eyewear (e.g., Meta Smart Glasses)
- Smart jewelry and headphones (e.g., rings, smart earbuds)

Academic Integrity & Testing

- **Assessment Restrictions:** All wearable devices must be removed and placed securely in backpacks or lockers during tests, quizzes, and formal assessments.
- **Prohibited Disruption:** Using a wearable device to look up information, receive real-time AI prompts, translate text without permission, or communicate during an exam is strictly prohibited and constitutes academic dishonesty.
- **Content Theft:** Capturing photos or video of test questions or academic materials using wearable tech is a severe policy violation.

Privacy and Media Recording

- **Expectation of Privacy Zones:** Wearable technology must be powered down or completely put away prior to entering restrooms, changing areas, classrooms, or school health clinics.
 - **Non-Consensual Recording:** Students are strictly prohibited from using wearable devices to take hidden or unauthorized photos, videos, or audio recordings of peers, teachers, or staff members.
 - **Vlogging & Streaming:** Live streaming or “vlogging” on school grounds via smart glasses or body cameras without direct administration permission is prohibited.
- **Classroom Environment & Distractions**
 - **Educational Use Only:** Wearable devices may only be actively used during class time if a teacher grants explicit permission for an approved educational purpose.
 - **Teacher Discretion:** Classroom instructors hold the right that a student’s wearable device be muted, powered off, or that it be removed at any time if it is deemed a distraction to the learning environment.
 - **Non-Educational Activities:** Texting, playing games, or scrolling social media via on wearable devices during instructional time is prohibited.

Exemptions and Accommodations

- **Medical Exceptions:** Students with documented medical tracking needs (e.g., continuous glucose monitors via a smartwatch) are permitted to wear their devices. These must be officially registered through an Individualized Education Program (IEP), 504 Plan, or school nurse health plan.

Liability Disclaimer

- Christ the King Catholic School accepts zero financial responsibility for the theft, loss, damage, or unapproved data charges associated with any student-owned wearable device brought onto school grounds.