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Dear Parent or Guardian of Riverside High School Students:

Cell phones have become a way of life, a technological convenience that has impacted all of our lives in one way or another. However, in the classroom environment, cell phones have become a distraction and interruption and take away from the valuable time needed for instruction and most importantly, student learning. I do recognize that cell phones can be a safety/security tool; however, they can be a detriment in the event of a building emergency and our protocol to manage such emergencies in a safe and effective manner.

Starting February 24, 2020, no student will be allowed to use a cell phone in my classroom when the red no cellphone sign is displayed. The only time students will be permitted to use their cellphone is when the green cellphone sign is displayed. If a student is found to be in possession or use of a cell phone, the phone will be confiscated by a teacher or an administrator, placed in a labeled envelope, and delivered to the office. After class is dismissed, the student may report to the office to retrieve their phone before reporting to their next class.