Cell phones should be put on vibrate/silent mode when entering the classroom, labs or Learning Commons area, or other instructional area. The use or observation of cell phones, and other electronic communication devices is prohibited during class/lab instructional time. In the case of emergencies, students should indicate to the instructor that they have an emergency situation and leave the class to address the situation.

The use of other electronic communication and entertainment devices, including laptops, and electronic devices with photographic/video capabilities is prohibited during instructional time and should be turned off and put away upon entering the classroom/lab. Students with legitimate reasons for using this equipment during class/lab can do so only after receiving explicit consent of the instructor/supervisor and/or by providing documentation to support the use of equipment during class/lab. Devices with photographic/video capabilities may not be used to take photographs or videos of instructional materials, i.e. exams, etc., or for photographing or video recording individuals against their will or knowledge. While Southeastern Illinois College is a public institution, it is not a public place, and therefore, taking photographic images or recordings of people, places, etc. requires prior approval of the administration.

Instructors have the authority to impose more stringent rules for use of all electronic equipment in the classroom based on the specific circumstances of any class/lab they are teaching. Non-compliance will result in disciplinary action as outlined in the Student Handbook (Talon).

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