The purpose of the policy is to increase students attention and engagement in the classroom. Technology can be a distraction for students and their learning.

Personal Mobile Devices (PMD) policy establishes procedures for possession and use of personal mobile devices while on school property. Wootton’s policy aligns with the MCPS policy COG-RA.

A PMD is defined as any technology that is brought from home and is not an MCPS issued device. Some examples are music players, e-readers, tablets, smartphone, bluetooth headphones, etc.

At the start of class, PMDs should be put/kept “out of sight”:
- In a student’s backpack/purse/bag
- In a classroom holder
- In a student’s pocket

When a PMD is observed in class, it may be addressed with:
- A warning from the teacher,
- A request to put the PMD away,
- A conversation with the caregiver,
- The loss of the device for a period of time,
- A referral to an administrator.