

MOBILE PHONE AND DEVICE POLICY

Introduction

This document sets out the Rules for student behaviour on the KTC Israel Experience 2025 in relation to the use of Mobile Phones and other electronic devices.

The Israel Experience is a rich educational experience that aims to open your eyes to the depth, beauty and richness of Eretz Yisrael, Bnei Yisrael and its history. The program aims to both educate and inspire you. We feel strongly there is a need to limit the use of mobile phones and any other devices that will distract our students from being fully immersed in the rich experiences of our trip.

Our device policy aims to align with the KTC school policy of handing in devices at the beginning of the day to be kept safe until returned to students at the end of the day. There may be some exceptions where a mobile device is required e.g. security and safety purposes in which case they will be returned to students on a strictly limited time basis. When devices cannot be left in the hotel, chaperones will safely collect them and keep them safe on the bus.

Please discuss the following rules with your child and ensure that they are well understood

1. Devices are to be handed in to Chaperones at the beginning of each day (similar to our school policy) and will be returned at the end of the day.
2. If a situation arises where devices are allowed or required (security, safety or other) then that device is not to be used at any venue, program, or event that involves participation, guided tours, or where the use could disturb others
3. Devices are not allowed when tour guides or speakers are addressing the group
4. Devices are not allowed during davening. Please bring a siddur with you
5. Device usage includes talking, texting, browsing, photographing, videoing, listening to music, or anything that distracts attention
6. Exceptions may be made at the discretion of the chaperones

