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Rosh HaYeshiva
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Dear Chashuva Parents, עמריש,

I'm writing to you about the very important topic of cellphones/smartphones. By now everyone is well aware of the dangers of the internet. Unfortunately, the internet has been the cause of our children having many tremendous ירידות/downfalls and unfortunately, many have become "at risk" or have gone off the derech רחמנא לצלן.

It was brought to my attention, that even simple flip phones have internet capabilities and some bochurim have smart phones and other electronic devices at home that have internet access or capabilities.

Therefore, in order to protect our Talmidim from these negative influences, the Yeshiva is instituting a cellphone/smartphone policy which we hope will protect our Talmidim. The Yeshiva will strictly enforce these new guidelines, but we need the help of our parents to make sure it goes smoothly.

Attached is a separate letter, in which you will find the new guidelines. Please read them very carefully. It is very important that you take care of this matter right away. Please don't wait until the end of the summer to take care of this. If you need a filter for your son's phone, please make an appointment with your local TAG office **NOW!** Please be aware that no bochur will be allowed to start Yeshiva if his phones are not properly filtered and the certificate is not signed and sent to our office.

Please keep in mind that we are doing this to protect your children, our Talmidim. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter. **Any bochur who does not follow the cellphone/smartphone guidelines, will be grounds for dismissal from the Yeshiva,**

We are looking forward to a *geshmak zman* and for the bochurim to *shteig* in a safe environment.

Rabbi Shmuel Zev Dicker

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P.S. If there are any issues that you feel need to be discussed, feel free to contact me on my cell phone at 917-846-8527