

<p>Topic/Issue: Cell phones in Schools</p> <p>Why is this important? Schools are a place where students are required to be, and have a mission to educate the populace for free. They are seeing increasing mobile phone use by students and it is concerning.</p>	
Overview article from Opposing Viewpoints	Key points in the issue:
Question proposed: Should schools ban cell phone use on campus?	
<p>Evidence that supports YES</p> <p>"90% of school districts banned cellphones in the 2009-10 school year, and that fell to 65% by 2015. It ticked up to about 78% during the first school year disrupted by the pandemic, with the return to in-person classes, complete with adolescents glued to their screens, leading to a wave of new restrictions."</p> <p>"Researchers have linked smartphone use among youth with negative academic, social-emotional, and mental health outcomes."</p>	<p>Evidence that supports NO</p> <p>"Teacher-directed use of smartphones in the classroom can help students learn to manage ever-present technology and use it in a productive manner. Many of the basic features on cellular phones—such as calendars, alarms, text messaging, and email—have educational uses that can positively impact student engagement when employed in a classroom setting."</p> <p>"Children may in the future be able to download all their textbooks on to their phones. There may be applications which allow children to practise certain skills on their phones. Teachers should aim to be the leaders in the educational uses of cellphones."</p>

Works Cited

Citation	Link	Summary/evaluation notes
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