

# No Phones In Schools

Imagine you're a teacher during a lesson you're trying to teach your students something they have to learn for STAAR but there's a little problem, they're glued to their phones! I think we shouldn't let children have their phones out in school or class unless it is an emergency, or if the teacher tells them they can contact their parents using their phone.

Phones in class can be a huge distraction to the students and who knows what is going on when they go on there? If kids had their phones out in class it wouldn't allow them to learn all the important things in class. If there is a test coming up that they haven't studied for, that could affect their grades if they are just on their phones and not learning. And it could also be a distraction to the other students because what if the student was playing music on their phone and blasting it on the max volume while other kids are trying to learn?

Phones in class could also impact the student's social skills. If kids are just on their phones in the halls, in the classroom, and in the lunchroom it could make them antisocial and not have any friends, which can make them depressed or have social anxiety. If they have to interact with other people for school or for a future job, this would make it harder for them to speak in job interviews and if they have to do a speech in front of a class. In "Cell Phones in Schools" on the Gale Opposing Views website it states that

“Researchers have linked smartphone use among youth with negative academic, social-emotional, and mental health outcomes”. It can be very harmful to social skills, and while being a good way to communicate, we shouldn’t be glued to it all the time.

There can also be bullying among the students if they are on their phones in school. Some kids can be posted online if they are late to a class, if they are using the restroom, or if they are being embarrassed just for the purpose of being posted on social media. That could be traumatizing and could ruin their reputation or social life. The perpetrator could also comment on a post and could leak information about the victim, something like their name, their age, or their phone number. In Gale Opposing Views it also states that “School district administrators have reported increases in disciplinary problems related to cell phones.”

All of these examples are reasons why we shouldn’t have phones out in classes or school. If you think back to that teacher I mentioned in the beginning, just think how their job would be so much better if there were no phones.

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[Gale Opposing Views “Cell Phones In Class.”](#)