

## Enacted Statewide School Cell Phone Restriction Laws/Policies

Below is a list of statewide school cell phone restrictions, either created by law or policy. Major city or county policies are indicated as well. Your school district or specific school may have policies that restrict cell phone use, please refer to their website for more information.

State	Bill #	Link	Subject	Status	Medical exception?
AL	n/a	<a href="https://www.alabamaachievements.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/SBOE_AR_202428_Resolution-Regarding-Cellular-Telephone-Usage-in-AL-Schools_v1.0.pdf">https://www.alabamaachievements.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/SBOE_AR_202428_Resolution-Regarding-Cellular-Telephone-Usage-in-AL-Schools_v1.0.pdf</a>	Cell phone ban policy recommended, not required	In effect	No.
AK	n/a	<a href="https://arkleg.state.ak.us/Bills/Detail?id=SB142&amp;chamber=Senate&amp;ddBienniumSession=2025%2F2025R">https://arkleg.state.ak.us/Bills/Detail?id=SB142&amp;chamber=Senate&amp;ddBienniumSession=2025%2F2025R</a>	Cell phone restriction policy	In effect	Yes.
AR	SB 142	<a href="https://governor.arkansas.gov/news_post/sanders-invites-arkansas-school-districts-to-join-phone-free-school-mental-health-pilot-program/">https://governor.arkansas.gov/news_post/sanders-invites-arkansas-school-districts-to-join-phone-free-school-mental-health-pilot-program/</a>	Pilot program	In effect	Unclear. Schools can choose to participate in pilot program to get pouches for students to safely store their phones during the school day.
CA	AB 3216	<a href="#">AB 3216: Pupils: use of smartphones.   Digital Democracy (calmatters.org)</a>	School governing bodies must create cell phone limitation/prohibition	Enacted 9/23/2024 Effective July 2026.	Yes.
CA	n/a	<a href="#">L.A. school district approves strict student cellphone ban - Los Angeles Times</a>	LA School District cell phone ban	In effect	Unclear.
CT	n/a	<a href="https://portal.ct.gov/governor/-/media/sde/board/position_statement_cell_phone_use.pdf">https://portal.ct.gov/governor/-/media/sde/board/position_statement_cell_phone_use.pdf</a>	State Board of ED strongly recommends restricting use of cell phones	In effect	Yes.

DE	SB 326	<a href="https://legis.delaware.gov/BillDetail/141568">https://legis.delaware.gov/BillDetail/141568</a>	Cell phone funding pilot	In effect	Unclear. Schools can choose to participate in pilot program to get pouches for students to safely store their phones during the school day.
FL	CS/HB 379	<a href="https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2023/379">https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2023/379</a>	Cell phone ban	In effect	No.
FL	n/a	<a href="https://www.browardschools.com/wirelessdevices">https://www.browardschools.com/wirelessdevices</a>	Broward County implementing FL state law	In effect	Yes.
FL	n/a	<a href="https://bocanewsnow.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/PBC-School-Wireless-Policy.pdf">https://bocanewsnow.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/PBC-School-Wireless-Policy.pdf</a>	Palm Beach County implementing FL state law	In effect	Yes.
ID	n/a	<a href="https://sde.idaho.gov/topics/cell-phone-policy/">https://sde.idaho.gov/topics/cell-phone-policy/</a>	Incentivizing policy, school gets money if they adopt a policy that restricts cell phone use	In effect	Yes, under recommended policy checklist.
IN	SB 185	<a href="https://iga.in.gov/legislative/2024/bills/senate/185/details">https://iga.in.gov/legislative/2024/bills/senate/185/details</a>	Cell phone policy	In effect	Yes.
KS	n/a	<a href="https://www.ksde.gov/Portals/0/Commissioner/Blue-Ribbon-Task-Force-on-Student-Screen-Time-Report.pdf">https://www.ksde.gov/Portals/0/Commissioner/Blue-Ribbon-Task-Force-on-Student-Screen-Time-Report.pdf</a>	Recommended cell phone policy	In effect	No, not specifically stated in recommendation.
LA	Act 313	<a href="https://www.legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1380785">https://www.legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1380785</a>	Cell phone ban with exceptions	In effect	Yes.
MA	n/a	<a href="https://www.doe.mass.edu/grants/2024/729/">https://www.doe.mass.edu/grants/2024/729/</a>	Pilot program grant	In effect	No. Up to school what they use the money to do and determine content of the policy.

MN	HF3782 SF3567	<a href="https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?session=ls93&amp;number=HF3782&amp;session_number=0&amp;session_year=2023&amp;version=list">https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?session=ls93&amp;number=HF3782&amp;session_number=0&amp;session_year=2023&amp;version=list</a>	Requires school districts to adopt policies. Requires state's principal associations to create best practices	In effect	No. Up to school district to determine content of the policy.
MO	n/a	<a href="https://www.cpsk12.org/family-resources/cell-phone-free-expectations">https://www.cpsk12.org/family-resources/cell-phone-free-expectations</a>	Columbia school district cell phone policy	In effect	Yes.
MT	n/a	<a href="https://news.mt.gov/Governors-Office/Governor_Gianforte_Calls_for_Cell_Phone-Free_Schools">https://news.mt.gov/Governors-Office/Governor_Gianforte_Calls_for_Cell_Phone-Free_Schools</a>	Governor recommended policy	In effect	No.
NV	NRS 392.4637	<a href="https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nrs/nrs-392.html">https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nrs/nrs-392.html</a>	Must adopt a cell phone policy	In effect	No. Up to school district to determine content of the policy.
OH	HB 250	<a href="#">HB 250</a>	Cell phone prohibition	In effect	Yes.
OK	n/a	<a href="https://sos.ok.gov/documents/executive/2127.pdf">https://sos.ok.gov/documents/executive/2127.pdf</a>	Policy Recommended through "Challenge"	In effect	No. Up to school district to determine content of the policy.
OR	n/a	<a href="https://www.oregon.gov/ode/educator-resources/teachingcontent/Pages/CellPhoneGuidance.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/ode/educator-resources/teachingcontent/Pages/CellPhoneGuidance.aspx</a>	Policy recommended through non-binding guidance	In effect	Yes, in model plan.
PA	SB 700	<a href="https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?year=2023&amp;sind=0&amp;body=S&amp;type=B&amp;bn=0700">https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?year=2023&amp;sind=0&amp;body=S&amp;type=B&amp;bn=0700</a>	Cell phone ban school grants	Gov. signed 7/11/24	No. Funds can be used to purchase cell phone bags. Up to school district to determine content of the policy.

SC	HB5100	<a href="#">H5100 proviso 1.103</a>	School cell phone ban; districts must implement a cellphone policy to receive state aid, State Board of Education must adopt a model policy.	In effect	No. Up to district/state Board of Education what the exception is. Model policy due in August.
SC	n/a	<a href="https://ed.sc.gov/state-board/state-board-of-education/policy-legislative-pl/pl01-attach-model-policy-personal-electronic-devicepdf/">https://ed.sc.gov/state-board/state-board-of-education/policy-legislative-pl/pl01-attach-model-policy-personal-electronic-devicepdf/</a>	Model cell phone policy	Final approval on 9/3	Yes.
UT	n/a	<a href="https://governor.utah.gov/2024/01/10/gov-cox-encourages-educators-to-remove-cell-phones-during-class-time/">https://governor.utah.gov/2024/01/10/gov-cox-encourages-educators-to-remove-cell-phones-during-class-time/</a>	Governor recommends, no specific bill or policy though	Letter sent 1/10/24	No.
VA	EO 33	<a href="https://www.doe.virginia.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/57403/638621683945370000">https://www.doe.virginia.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/57403/638621683945370000</a>	Cell phone ban	Gov. EO 7/9/24, Guidance 9/16/24	Yes.
WA	n/a	<a href="https://ospi.k12.wa.us/sites/default/files/2024-08/cell-phone-and-smart-device-use-schools.pdf">https://ospi.k12.wa.us/sites/default/files/2024-08/cell-phone-and-smart-device-use-schools.pdf</a>	Superintendent recommends cell phone restrictions	2025-2026 school year	Yes.
WA	n/a	<a href="https://go.boarddocs.com/wa/spokane/Board.nsf/files/D8ETMP78106B/\$file/3245%20Students%20and%20Telecommunication%20Devices%20(SK%20v%208.8.24).pdf">https://go.boarddocs.com/wa/spokane/Board.nsf/files/D8ETMP78106B/\$file/3245%20Students%20and%20Telecommunication%20Devices%20(SK%20v%208.8.24).pdf</a>	Spokane cell phone policy	In effect	Yes.

## The American Diabetes Association Can Help

Is your child being denied access to their phone for diabetes care? Have questions about your school's legal obligations to provide diabetes care to your child? The ADA can help. Call 1-800-DIABETES (800-342-2383) or email [AskAda@diabetes.org](mailto:AskAda@diabetes.org). If your issue is within our areas of service, you will receive tailored information and guidance from one of ADA's legal advocates. Although the ADA cannot represent you or advocate on your behalf, we can help you understand your child's rights and give you practical tools to solve your problem.

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