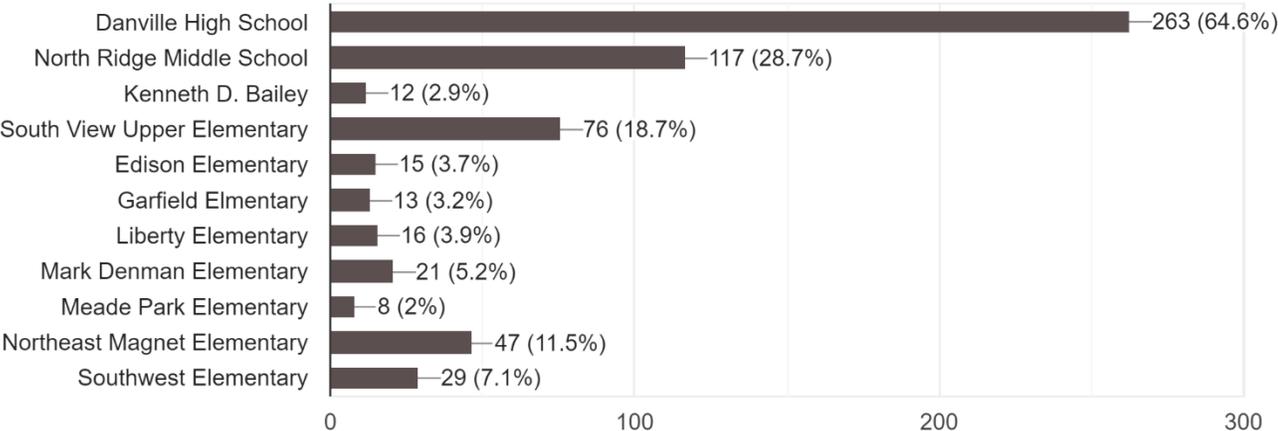


# PARENT/GUARDIAN PERCEPTION - CELL PHONE SURVEY RESULTS

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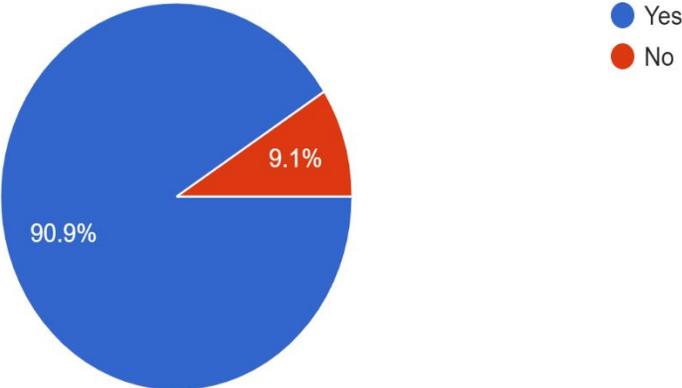
My child / children attend (mark all that apply):

407 responses



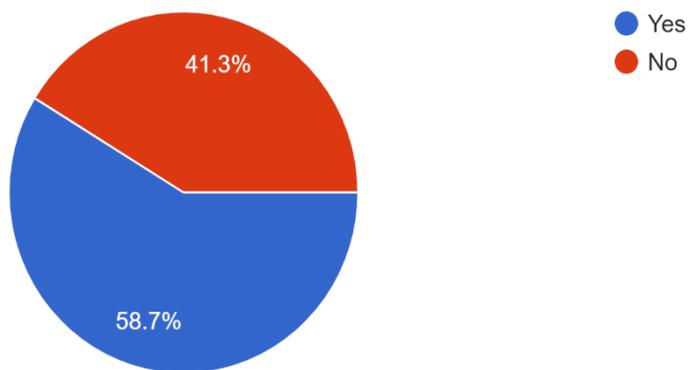
My child should be allowed to bring their cell phone to school.

406 responses



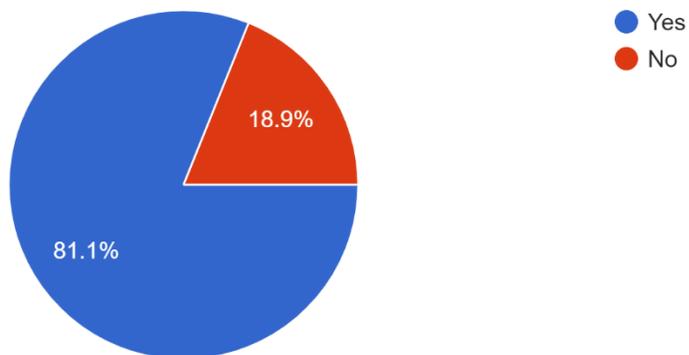
If my child violates the cell phone rule at school (they have it out and are openly using it to receive / send messages, calls, or are using apps, etc..), they should have disciplinary consequences.

395 responses



I believe that I should have the right to communicate with my child on their cell phone during school hours.

407 responses



Under what circumstances would parents need to contact a child on their cell phone during school hours?

407 responses (169 indicated in case of emergency/family emergency)

- Emergency
- Family emergency
- Emergency only
- None
- Emergencies
- Emergency
- Family emergencies
- Emergencies
- To tell them if they have a doctor's appointment or other medical issues or for the child to say that something happened directly as some parents might have to change their phone number during the school year and/or the school has the wrong number.
- Emergencies, change in pick up, having a bad day. And need some encouragement from mom. Not feeling well.
- Scheduling rides after school, emergencies (family emergencies, school emergencies, etc)
- Family Emergency
- In any emergency situations, schools don't always take nor do the right things for every single student . As much as they try , there are just some things they cannot help with that parents can
- Telling their child/children if they are going to be able to get them or if they are going to be home for walkers
- All times
- My son has a 504 and at times tells me where he is. When they have appointments. Family emergency. When they're in situations.
- Family Emergencies, personal issues the student is not comfortable talking to a teacher about
- Emergency or needing to change how they are getting home
- None. I would do it the original old fashioned way call the school and inform my child on anything I needed.
- School emergency situation
- My daughter has type 1 Diabetes and her phone is what reads her CGM. Also, we communicate with her based on her numbers as to insulin dosing and more importantly needing to eat to keep her from dieing.
- Pick up. Emergency . Or anything I need to tell them. If there is something going on in school and they need to contact me.
- emergency or in case i need to let them know to ride the bus home instead of pickup, making sure they have house key to get in, if she forgets something and needs it immediately
- Emergencies happening at the school-I never get notified by your people until hours later and it infuriates me. Changes in normal schedule-staying after school, needs ride home Women's troubles-when I need to bring clothes or sanitary products
- If there is an emergency on either end
- In case of emergency

- Any and all emergencies. Because I am their parent and I have that right.
- To let them know of ride changes or activities later that day.
- if I have to work later than usual or if she forgets her house key
- Family, medical emergency; change in pick up for after school...
- Lunch time
- Emergency, tell them to pick up the child medicine and to let them know if they leave early
- When its really important
- I'm more worried about my child needing to contact me while at school.
- Emergency, if they will be late to get picked up, or to let know if they have to ride the bus home, if they feel sick during the day the nurse will not do anything if they go to see her. What if there is an active shooter they will need to notify the parents.
- Emergency, notify any changes in after school plans, And to communicate
- Health reasons and also they can use their phone to google things.
- About weather my child should ride the bus today or not or if it's an emergency
- Ask about after school or tell them something they have to do
- Emergency/illness
- They should
- Always
- whenever I need to contact my child for whatever reason
- None I would call the school
- I would say for emergency only but that's why the schools have office phones for parents to be able to get ahold of a student in that kind of situation
- During lunch or with a teacher's permission
- Check on them, emergency, to make Dr. Appointments ect
- An emergency or changes in pickup
- Family/personal need, medical reasons, emergency situations
- emergency only
- because my child is in a lot of stuff and i need to make sure he's ok
- If they need to know where there going after school and we're there getting dropped off
- if there is a family emergency that we cant pick them up for or if there is a change in where they are going after they leave school.
- Contact the school office and they arrange a connection
- The district has repeatedly proven themselves as inefficient communicators. Because this is factual in middle school and high school especially students ability to communicate with parents often. Practices & rehearsal changes is huge. Illness (teachers aren't always approachable and considerate ) Early out not mentioned Teacher/student issues
- If there is a family emergency, something for after school activities, needing medicine, feminine hygiene products
- anything family death a doctors
- Transportation changes, emergencies, etc.
- I appreciate being able to maintain contact with my pre-teen and teenage children when they are at school. There have been times that I needed to double check rehearsal times, work schedules, etc. There have been times that my children just needed to connect, to share something that happened to them, for emotional support, etc. I appreciate that we have

technology to do this. Communication is generally by text, and my assumption is that it's between classes or at lunch.

- If an emergency were to happen and parents needed to let their children know about it or if a student were to need to contact a parent in case something happens at school. If there is an intruder in the school parents would want to be contacted by their child and if phones are not allowed how would that happen.
- Some kids have anxiety and their only way to calm their panic attacks- especially being in high school at that is to communicate with their parents. What if my daughter has a period accident and needs new clothes those things are embarrassing to have to tell your teacher about. Confidentiality is allowed to students believe it or not teachers don't need to know everything! Have corrective actions be taken ONLY if cell phone use is being done in class
- Never
- None. They can call the school to get ahold of them if they really need too.
- I do not think parents should contact children at school during schools hours. However after school I receive an alert from apple that my daughter is at YMCA of Danville. After I accept she can use her phone until pickup time.
- Safety concerns while in the school building.
- To send an emails or text messages he/she can access during breaks, lunch, passing periods, etc.
- Emergency only through text to go to the office or let the teacher know.
- Last minute transportation changes but this can usually be communicated through the school office.
- Transportation, family emergency, if my child needs something, if my child is feeling overwhelmed and needs me, where my child is going after school, if they have extracurriculars and we need to arrange something.
- Emergency situations that cause changes in travel arrangements afterschool destinations and some children are parents who need notification about there children
- Family emergencies, if the school is in active shooter situation, if our children are being bullied or physically abused by another student or staff/faculty member, if our child is not feeling emotionally well enough to stay at school, or if there are schedule changes on where to go after school/appointments/sports etc.
- I do not know, i can not ansvere for all parents.
- -emergencies, forgotten items, personal reasons, safety.
- Emergency situations
- Lock down. Active shooter. Dangerous weather.
- Change of pick up plans, family emergencies.
- Family emergency or anything because im the parent
- Emergencies at school or at home; changes in schedules (practices canceled or time changes, etc);
- for emergencys
- bus changes, family business.
- Last minute cancellations and changes to after school plans that involve busing, forgotten items, emergency (student in danger at school)
- Any emergency that may arise. Northridge Middle School isn't always forth coming with important information like gang violence, riots, etc.

- Violence towards my child (child need to contact me for me to assist immediately) Violence towards the adult in charge (child need to contact me or 911) Schedule changes after school they need to be made aware of To check on mental/emotional health of my child.
- An emergency
- Any possible time such as if they need them to go somewhere after school that changed. If they suddenly have an emergency arise and need to communicate with their student. If an active shooter were ever to come to the school I would want to be able to talk with my student. There are many more cases than named above in which I would want to be able to contact my student.
- Personal message important
- If their is a family emergency or if my child isn't feeling well .some kids are to shy to go ask teachers to go to the nurse.
- Emergency or change of transportation
- emergencies half the time i can't even get ahold of the school if i needed to talk to my child about picking them up. I have to get ahold of my child to make sure they get where they need to go right before the last bell rings.
- Illness, transportation updates
- Emergent family issues /school safety issues
- There have been instances where my children were having an issue, such as a panic attack, & contacted me. I want my children to be able to contact me at any time if there's an issue or they don't feel safe etc
- First, because I want to. Digital communication is as valid as IRL comms and helps me maintain an open relationship with my kid. We often have text exchanges during the day. But, we also often arrange after school pickup and activities during the day. Life is busy and we don't have schedules that allow us to plan everything in advance.
- None. Contact the school and the school can find my child.
- Change in after school plans/transportation. My child has also used her phone to contact me about issues going on at school that make her feel uncomfortable so I can determine if she needs to come home.
- Family emergencies—sickness, illness
- When used during class not passing periods
- Incase of an at home emergency. Or if my child needs to contact me if she is in any danger.
- Mistreatment, needing extra clothes, feeling sick
- There are many reasons... schedules.. emergency...
- For any reason.
- Family emergencies, when there are emergencies at the school.
- Family emergency, change in transportation or if my child feels he is in danger.
- Emergency, or she is having a asthma attack
- Their mother is severely asthmatic and could have a problem at any given time. Also, being the parent, any damn reason they choose.
- None
- The fights , lock downs , teacher and children being disrespectful to each other - I wouldn't feel safe sending my kids and not being able to contact them
- Rides, practices, emergencies

- Family emergency, and person problems.
- Change in after school pick up plan, practice changes, early pick ups
- Family emergency
- Home emergency
- If there is a family emergency or if my child isn't feeling well .some kids are too shy to go ask teachers to go to the nurse.
- Yes they should be able to use it when ever they need
- Emergency or when they call
- Emergency, private family business, safety reasons, personal reasons, etc
- None. They can call the school to get ahold of them if they really need too.
- Important information.
- Only if there is an emergency at the high school or one at home and I need to let them know of if they are alright.
- None call the school
- Emergencies, questions concerns ,etc
- Changes on pick up, appointment changes, if my
- Daughter needs feminine products that she may be too embarrassed to tell the school about
- Emergency
- changes in plans. student makes a request and parent responds
- Where to go after school, emergency in the family, and/or if there was an issue at the school where my child could be in danger they could keep me updated to make sure they are safe
- Family emergency
- None. They should call the school if it's an emergency.
- Under no circumstance that's why the school has phones so student's can contact parents and parents can contact students.
- Makes it easier if different arrangements are made or if there's a dangerous situation at school.
- Emergency/Illness
- Some kids have anxiety and their only way to calm their panic attacks- especially being in high school at that is to communicate with their parents. What if my daughter has a period accident and needs new clothes those things are embarrassing to have to tell your teacher about. Confidentiality is allowed to students believe it or not teachers don't need to know everything! Have corrective actions be taken ONLY if cell phone use is being done in class
- Let them know they can't pick them up after school.
- Let them know the parent is picking them up do not get on the bus.
- If after school activities or sports practice changes.
- And if they need any kind of help during the day.
- And many more
- Mistreatment, needing extra clothes, feeling sick
- Never.
- For emergencies
- Anything. The school should not have any right to disrupt a private conversation with my child.
- literally anything
- Family emergency, change in travel
- Family emergencies

- Personal matters that need addressed promptly
- Medical, family emergency
- For personal reasons.
- My stepdaughter is a type 1 diabetic. Her cell phone is her CGM (continuous glucose meter) this is a must to keep her alive. We get alerts from her phone when blood sugars are to high or dangerously low. We also use it to contact her and the school nurse to make sure she is eating or has taken insulin. It must have its alerts on to receive those notifications. Her stepbrother has his with him as they are in the same class in order to make sure if we can't reach her we can him. We only contact him in the case of an emergency.
- Only in an emergency.
- Plans change, emergencies
- Any and all emergencies. Because I am their parent and I have that right.
- Emergency, schedule changes, personal issues, etc.
- Emergency
- Work schedule overtime. So their child might need to find ride home for themselves, or pick up younger siblings.
- Family emergency.
- In case of emergency
- Child feels uncomfortable talking with a teacher about an issue, emergency, update on sports events or show choir
- cause the doctor said i got to check on them
- Emergency only
- Emergent family issues /school safety issues
- Emergency situations and to communicate schedule changes.
- When there is an emergency, when plans suddenly change for the evening that the child should be aware of prior to leaving school, when your child suffers from severe depression and anxiety and can't get help at school so they reach out to Mom to help calm them down, when you constantly get the automated call about your child's tardiness or absence from a class TWICE A DAY EVERYDAY so you text them to see where they are at and make them take a picture to prove they are at school.
- Emergency
- family emergency and when there is a change in my child's pick up schedule
- There's a problem or something dangerous is happening.
- needs to be informed of family emergency's concerning health, home issues, pick up and drop off situations, or THEY need to call THEIR parent's, given it's a good reason. ya'll need to stop being so strict, it's getting a little bad not that ya'll ain't trying but even the parent's are getting sick of this i ain't never had to deal with anything like this before until now. and i ain't talking about no cell phones.
- Emergencies or urgent situations. We live in a different world today and access is everything. I would never be comfortable not being able to have immediate access to my child in today's times.
- i need to tell my child to not ride the bus or that she have a doctor appointment
- I would only send a text in case of emergency or an issue with his transportation.
- Family emergency

- Family emergency only
- To send an emails or text messages he/she can access during breaks, lunch, passing periods, etc.
- My daughter has type 1 Diabetes and her phone is what reads her CGM. Also, we communicate with her based on her numbers as to insulin dosing and more importantly needing to eat to keep her from dieing.
- Family emergency. Notify them if there is a change of plans for picking them up from school.
- Family emergencies—sickness, illness
- If I need to pick up my child from school but the school don't answer their phone I can text my child
- If a family member is sick, how one is getting home that day. A mother should be able to contact her child at any time of the day.
- Family emergency, schedule changes, coordinate rides, personal emergency
- Emergency or personal information
- If they need to know where there going after school and we're there getting dropped off
- None!
- When a parent or child want to communicate
- I would say for emergency only but that's why the schools have office phones for parents to be able to get ahold of a student in that kind of situation
- To see how my kid is doing, to make sure they are safe and not having problems and to alert them of any changes regarding things like who's picking them up, etc
- Emergency
- For Anything that concerns the parents and the child.
- To know how to get in the house if i'm at work
- Pickup time changes, details, or if my child is feeling unwell mentally and needs to come home.
- Contact should be through main office.
- The district has repeatedly proven themselves as inefficient communicators. Because this is factual in middle school and high school especially students ability to communicate with parents often.
- Practices & rehearsal changes is huge.
- Illness (teachers aren't always approachable and considerate )
- Early out not mentioned
- Teacher/student issues
- Emergency situations
- Unfortunately the fighting and unsafe environment at both the High School and middle school have caused the need for cell phones for students who feel unsafe. As a parent of a child who feels unsafe, the need for a way to communicate is necessary. Regardless of any Yonder Pouch solution, until the administration cleans up the unsafe learning environment, our child will keep their cell phone on them.
- Emergencies happening at the school-I never get notified by your people until hours later and it infuriates me.
- Changes in normal schedule-staying after school, needs ride home
- Women's troubles-when I need to bring clothes or sanitary products
- Emergency Situation
- medical issues, family issues, if something bad happens, anything that is important really

- They should
- Asking about rides to and from school, personal and/or family emergency, asking about times for after school extra curriculars
- emergencies or family situations that arise during school hours, especially during lockdowns because the district doesn't inform us of what's happening with our children until after and that's incredibly scary for us as parents to not know. Besides, you don't know what these kids go through at home or what could come up during a school day.
- Emergency's, appointments, communication for after school activities, rides, etc.
- Check on them, emergency, to make Dr. Appointments ect
- Pick up. Emergency . Or anything I need to tell them. If there is something going on in school and they need to contact me.
- Emergencies at school or at home; changes in schedules (practices canceled or time changes, etc);
- Emergencies, Knowing how my child is going to get home, Knowing if my child is safe and is mentally okay at school and i can text to check up on him if he is doing okay or if something is bothering him.
- -emergencies, forgotten items, personal reasons, safety.
- Emergency
- Family emergency or anything because im the parent
- Emergencies, personal and business reasons,
- Emergency, plans change etc
- anything personal or important
- Emergency, work change, schedule change, plans, LIFE.
- Any reason. I'd prefer to be able to be in contact with my child 24/7 if needed
- Emergency purposes, change of plans etc
- Their are many reason although my child is young I would not agree with any teacher or staff member taking my child's phone or thinking it's ok that I not communicate with my child throughout the day a child can not always trust staff members
- There have been instances where my children were having an issue, such as a panic attack, & contacted me. I want my children to be able to contact me at any time if there's an issue or they don't feel safe etc
- Any circumstances they wish.
- Family change in plans, family emergency, change in work schedule, appointment, change in pick up, medical tracking (diabetic)
- family emergency, emergency at school
- Personal message important
- Emergency, tell them to pick up the childa medicine and to let them know if they leave early
- If there is something serious going on at home or if I'm not able to pick them up an someone else has to I would let them know personally so there's not complications
- Emergency, if they will be late to get picked up,or to let know if they have to ride the bus home,if they feel sick during the day the nurse will not do anything if they go to see her. What if there is an active shooter they will need to notify the parents.
- Change of pick up plans, family emergencies.
- An emergency or changes in pickup

- Ask about after school or tell them something they have to do
- I'm more worried about my child needing to contact me while at school.
- If the child is being wrongfully treated and is not being heard by any authorities present.
- in case I need to relay an emergency them. To me it shouldn't matter as long as they don't have it out when they shouldn't.
- Family issues .emergencies
- An emergency or lockdown/ during lunch for possible change of bus or car rider situation
- Emergency only
- Lunch time
- Emergency. With me or if my child has an emergency or an issue i think they should be able to contact a parent.
- Emergencies or schedule changes
- To remind them of any after school events that they may need to be aware abt such as me leaving a house key under a door mat, reminding them to get their younger sibling off the bus after school
- Emergencys and/or changes to routine
- Any emergency that may arise. Northridge Middle School isn't always forth coming with important information like gang violence, riots, etc.
- if there is a family emergency or reminder of appointment during school hours
- Emergencies, telling them personal information
- Emergency only
- Emergency only
- whenever I need to contact my child for whatever reason
- Family emergency
- Emergency call, tell them if i'm picking them up from school, or anything i have to tell them.
- Only if the school isnt answering in case of emergency
- Immediate family emergency that's best heard from a family member. School power outage and phones are down and the cell is the only way to remind of a drs appointment dismissal
- If needed for emergency they can reach me quicker on my cellphone instead of calling my work to get through faster . I believe letting them keep there cellphone is more safety for me should something happen at school and they have to get out they can reach me
- None
- bus changes, family business.
- Emergency, notify any changes in after school plans, And to communicate
- Emergency or child sick
- Family emergency
- yea
- Transportation
- Shouldn't. The teachers need to talk to parents if child is having a hard time. Need more involvement with school and teachers.
- About weather my child should ride the bus today or not or if it's an emergency
- emergency,lunch time
- Transportation changes or family emergency

- Not sure. If there is an emergency, I would contact the office and have them get a message/dismissal to my child. If my child going to be late and to contact me if there's anything personal things that only I need to know. If i'm late to pick her up or telling her who's picking her up from school she will need to know.
  - Perhaps their be a lock down situation. I want to know my child is ok.
  - EMERGENCY SITUATIONS ONLY
  - I have the right to communicate but my child should not be checking it until after school. If there is an emergency I should contact the school as it would likely effect my child's focus/mood/behavior.
  - emergencies half the time i can't even get ahold of the school if i needed to talk to my child about picking them up. I have to get ahold of my child to make sure they get where they need to go right before the last bell rings.
  - No circumstance. However, the school should make it easy and prompt to communicate with parents in case of need and relay messages to the child.
  - Emergency situations that cause changes in travel arrangements afterschool destinations and some children are parents who need notification about there children
  - emergency or in case i need to let them know to ride the bus home instead of pickup, making sure they have house key to get in, if she forgets something and needs it immediately
  - all hours
  - Personal, medical, or emergencies
  - Family Emergency
  - Emergencies
  - None. I would do it the original old fashioned way call the school and inform my child on anything I needed.
  - None I would call the school
  - In case of a family or school emergency.
  - I see no urgent need. Parent should call school and speak with teacher, secretary, or principal and information can be relayed accordingly. They are children!
  - Emergency
  - Under the same circumstance of why the clear book bags, clear pouches, metal detectors, police officers, dress codes and etc were all put into place, for my child's safety incase something happens or a crisis is going on. If all of these policies were put in place for children safety, then why can't they be able to have there phones on them incase of an emergency. Anything can happen at anytime, with all the safety precautions put into place, this is a public school not a boot camp we are sending are kids to, to learn.
  - To communicate transportation/practice changes/after school instructions or for an emergency.
  - Mine is a cautionary yes.
  - I believe:
  - We should be able to see her location (find my friends)
  - Contact her, or she contact us, in the event of a change in pick up plans, practice plans, etc, Some unforeseen family emergency where we need to get her right then and not go through the office
  - In the event of an emergency at the school to know that she is safe.

- I do not believe that we should just be able to carry on casual conversation throughout the day and I don't believe she should be able to carry on random conversation with friends throughout the day.
- Emergency situations students should be allowed to contact their parents when needed or like if they are being sent home from the nurse.
- For anything
- During lunch or with a teacher's permission
- Emergencies, transportation or schedule changes,
- When its really important
- Confirm after-school schedule, check in to see how the child's day is going
- You can call anyone at the school in case of an emergency but if it were a true emergency and contacted my child, I would.
- if I have to work later than usual or if she forgets her house key
- to let my child know when i'm not going to be at home , and if she should go to her cousin house. and cause i need to know what be going on at school cause a lot of students want to fight my child
- family emergency
- because my child is in a lot of stuff and i need to make sure he's ok
- family emergency
- Any sort of emergency or to keep track of their general wellbeing
- In case of emergency
- Yes, it can be any emergency that I don't want the school to know.
- for emergencys
- Moral support, encouragement, illness, help
- Only if the school phone or phones were unavailable
- Family, medical emergency; change in pick up for after school...
- I do not know, i can not answere for all parents.
- Incase of emergency, for updates about rides and or changes they need to know.
- If they need to ask them about transportation home.
- If an emergency were to happen and parents needed to let their children know about it or if a student were to need to contact a parent incase something happens at school. If there is an intruder in the school parents would want to be contacted by theri child and if phones are not allowed how would that happen.
- Health reasons and also they can use their phone to google things.
- Changing situation regarding how the child is picked up or where they should go after school. A family emergency.
- Feeling like I have a right to communicate with my child and feeling like they should be able to talk to me on the phone during school hours are two different things. I feel I should be able to send a text that they could look at during a non-instructional time, but I do not feel like I should be able to call and speak to them at any point. A contact for some kind of logistics for after school etc. I believe are appropriate for a text message.

- Transportation, family emergency, if my child needs something, if my child is feeling overwhelmed and needs me, where my child is going after school, if they have extracurriculars and we need to arrange something.
- None. If I need to reach my child for some family emergency then I should be able to do so through the school
- they need to tell them important information or there is an emergency
- If there is an emergency on either end
- This isn't how I am with my son, however I'm sure some parents can be worried when their son and/or daughter is at school unable to communicate with them. I would say that students should not be on their phone playing games or other attention grabbing things. Mainly just communication
- Change of plans – afterschool emergency
- My child should have access to her phone in the school building to access with her guardians and access more information.
- Family emergency, transportation, extracurricular activities, and if the child is wanting to go home but is scared to talk to an adult about it.
- Emergencies
- family emergency or maybe if they have to do something and arnt able to do something for the child.
- Needing to stay after school and notify parents
- Telling their child/children if they are going to be able to get them or if they are going to be home for walkers
- emergency
- Emergency Only
- if something happen they could tell him or her
- emergencies
- Communication when sick, during emergencies, to facilitate rides, to communicate safety issues.
- If they are sick or the need a ride after school or something is really wrong
- Emergency only through text to go to the office or let the teacher know.
- I feel that parents could just contact the office in order to reach their child
- if there is a family emergency that we cant pick them up for or if there is a change in where they are going after they leave school.
- I do not need to contact my daughter but there have been times when her contacting me without permission from the school has been necessary.
- Emergencies only
- If they have emergency and will not be home to get child they can tell them
- Emergency only
- In case of emergencies, quicker to tell them if I'm picking them up, communicating after school activities, safety.
- I text my kids occasionally, usually to double check after-school schedules, etc. I believe that phone use should be limited to between class periods or lunch, unless special permission has been given by the teacher. I think this is reasonable for older students, and different rules would apply to elementary age students.

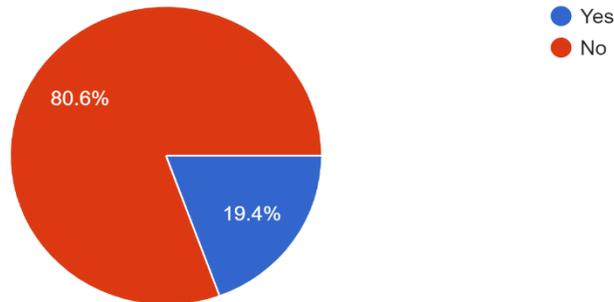
- Emergencies
- In an emergency only
- Safety reasons. Change in schedules for the day that impact their pickup (or our need to rearrange our work schedules to pick them up), schedule changes happen FREQUENTLY.
- Family reasons, sister having procedures and surgery and our older kids need to know that operations went well and she is okay.
- Any they see necessary as the parent of said child.
- After school activities, communication, rides, etc.
- any reason I as the parent see fit
- Emergency
- Appointments, emergency pick up, late pick up, where I am during pick up, lock down to assure safety
- ONLY EMERGENCIES.
- I do not think parents should contact children at school during schools hours. However after school I receive an alert from apple that my daughter is at YMCA of Danville. After I accept she can use her phone until pickup time.
- None. The office can be called to get emergency messages to students.
- Any emergency
- Emergency
- yes because what if a parent die or something
- True emergency only, but they could likely be contacted via the office more efficiently.
- Lock down. Active shooter. Dangerous weather.
- Transportation changes, emergencies, etc.
- Family matters
- I can't think of anything that couldn't be handled otherwise.
- Family emergency. Emergency situations at school.
- Family/personal need, medical reasons, emergency situations
- Family emergency/school emergency/transportation plans
- Medical emergencies or violent actions at school
- Illness, transportation updates
- Changes in transportation for them or to pick up a sibling.
- If there is an Emergency
- Anything that i feel like i need to
- I like to just be able to communicate with my child that can wait until lunch or between classes but I know they will see it and can even respond to me before the end of the school day!
- First, because I want to. Digital communication is as valid as IRL comms and helps me maintain an open relationship with my kid. We often have text exchanges during the day. But, we also often arrange after school pickup and activities during the day. Life is busy and we don't have schedules that allow us to plan everything in advance.
- Emergencies, change in pick up, having a bad day. And need some encouragement from mom. Not feeling well.
- Any circumstance I deem necessary. The reason I pay for my child to have a cell phone.
- Family Emergency, changes to scheduling, walking home to school and home from school

- Any
- Emergency ONLY
- EMERGENCY USE ONLY
- play practice
- any
- Family emergencies, if the school is in active shooter situation, if our children are being bullied or physically abused by another student or staff/faculty member, if our child is not feeling emotionally well enough to stay at school, or if there are schedule changes on where to go after school/appointments/sports etc.
- They let us know they made it safely they contact me when in need the schools don't even answer there phones my teens must have there phones for safety of getting ahold of us parents
- There are many circumstances that I've need to get ahold if my daughter while she's at school. Most recently. I forgot they got out early, and she text me to remind me.
- I am not a fan on phones during school lessons , I said yes to take the phone to school, but for use on breaks or such. My daughter said everyone is so distracted on phones even her self through the day. She got in trouble and goes to the school in Tilton, she can take her phone to school, but while at school not 1 kid has their phone until end of day. She's able to have it on the bus. And I limit cell phone time at home. She was on honor roll during e learning (no day time phone except breaks). Went to school back in person with phone, grades dropped, got in trouble etc. The school she's at now, again says no phones, grades are back to honor roll. Most jobs say no phones while clocked in. Kids might as well learn that now. Yes, you can have it, too and from school, but during class it should be no. A teacher needs to have control of a class, not trying to tell not 1, not 2 but almost 20 kids during a lesson to get off a phone. My daughter even said, mom I can't learn or stay focused in class so much was going on. Thus why her grades dropped, then she was influenced to make a bad decision.
- Emergency purposes. We had an emergency situation while she was at school. If I would have left it up to the school she wouldn't have made it to the hospital before her gma passed. I had counselors calling me after she he already left the school not being able to find her
- no
- 2nd submission, left out ,, teachers need to be off their phones also! Don't ask for something you can't and do not do your self.
- Last minute cancellations and changes to after school plans that involve busing, forgotten items, emergency (student in danger at school)
- None
- any circumstances which the parent/guardian deems necessary!!!!!!!!!!
- If we are coming to pick them up or texting or personal issues
- whenever they feel its appropriate
- Emergency of family members only
- Any if I deem it important for my child to be informed about something.
- To ask them questions, make sure their doing okay, to inform them on what's going on inside or outside of the school
- no common .
- There are many reasons... schedules.. emergency...

- none
- In case of an emergency like who gonna pick them up on days I normally do but can't make it.
- Emergency
- Last minute transportation changes but this can usually be communicated through the school office.
- Contact the school office and they arrange a connection
- To let them know of ride changes or activities later that day.
- any circumstance. A ride, plans could change, ext . school shouldn't b involved in personal family business .
- Emergency or having to do with school function, activity, pick up, staying after
- More concerned about children needing to contact their parents during school hours
- If he or she is getting picked up, also emergency things, also business reasons.
- always
- School shootings, family emergencies, communication in regards to physical and mental health/illnesses.
- Emergency, rides, during lunch when sitting alone!!! Etc.
- Any possible time such as if they need them to go somewhere after school that changed. If they suddenly have an emergency arise and need to communicate with their student. If an active shooter were ever to come to the school I would want to be able to talk with my student. There are many more cases than named above in which I would want to be able to contact my student.
- anything family death a doctors
- Emergencies/Checking up with them to see how they are doing
- family issues, personal issues with the child, if the child needs anything brought to the school, and the child tries to make as least as a distraction as possible
- After school curriculums. Not feeling well.
- Any emergency as the family see's fit.
- To tell them if they have a doctor's appointment or other medical issues or for the child to say that something happened directly as some parents might have to change their phone number during the school year and/or the school has the wrong number.
- If for some reason the school had failed to give a message to my child.
- An emergency

Yonder Pouches are a solution that other districts use to control cell phone usage during the school day. The student gets to keep his/her phone...re information, go to <https://www.veryondr.com>)

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Please share any thoughts regarding cell phone usage during the school day that the committee should consider.

- None
- N/A
- For safety purposes I want to be able to reach my children
- Please stop treating my children like they are prisoners. They don't need clear backpacks or locked cell phones. Deal with the discipline issues and leave the good kids alone.
- Adults in the district are not always doing the correct things. The safety of my child is my biggest concern. I have had teachers misuse their authority and wouldn't let my child leave their room to call home.
- I feel like children should be able to have their phone incase the parent texts to let them know something, they don't need to have it out during class but can check them in free time or after school
- It is a distraction for the elementary children and should not have them at school it distracts other children
- The main reason my children have cell phones is for their own safety. Until Danville schools gets the fighting and other various issues under control, my child will be bringing their cell phones to school and will have their phones on them at all times. The ONLY reason my child received a cell phone at 14 was for her own safety at NRMS.
- Cellphones have an option to be changed to do not disturb, and my child always has phone placed on it while at school, so I do not see a use for the school to lock a cellphone in a pouch daily. Rules are already in place as far as cellphone use and those rule can remain and followed.
- I think the kids should be able to have their phones so the parents can leave them a text message or a voicemail, because you can not always get ahold of the office.

- Cellphones shouldn't be allowed at the elementary level. I don't see the necessary need to have one at those grades levels. For middle and high school , I can see a system with phones being locked up, lots of employers currently do this. If there's any emergency parents/guardian and contact the office.
- Perhaps there should be tiered levels of cell phone use and responsibility. Ex: Elementary no phones allowed in classroom, they would have to stay in bookbags silenced or in do not disturb mode. Middle school have them with the student and only allow students to use them during down time but they must be silenced/do not disturb. High school, loosen the restrictions as you would in the workplace. Don't be on your phone during instruction or passing periods but allow them to have it at lunch or study halls, etc.
- Students should be allowed to use them during homeroom. Lunch use should also be allowed if no fights recently. Some students use the kindle app to read books, some check skyward, etc.
- I think the only time they should be allowed to use their phones is during there lunch period and before and after school.
- My child will have access to her phone at all times in the school. We discuss using her phone during school hours. While there may be a district policy about not having cell phones used during school hours, her teachers have allowed it consistently during class time when they are not in a lesson. There seems to be a disconnect between policy and enforcement which is not a student issue. We will not be participating in the Yonder pouches at any time. If there is an emergency in the school, my child will have immediate and unrestricted access to her phone to contact us.
- We live in day & age where having contact with your kid is needed ..With so many unsafe unknowns in this world I ALWAYS wanna be able to get in contact with my child not thru second hand relay talk in case of emergency
- I would not allow my child to put their phone in a pouch that restricts it use. This is an overreach this is overreach by the school system. This isn't the 1950s. Children need communication options. Solve bigger problems like lack of teachers and staff
- We live in a world of technology. Students need to be taught appropriate use of phones and when you can or can't use them. This is life in 2022. Google is their friend. We can try and ignore this or we can move ahead with the times and teach students how to be responsible adults. They will not go off to a job or college without a cell phone in hand. They should be stored off and out of sight during class time except when allowed by teachers to have out. They should be allowed to have them out during passing periods, before/after school and during lunch. This should be their free time and an appropriate time to use it. (As I assume most staff use during their lunch breaks, passing periods, plan time when they do not have other assigned duties). If Yonder pouches are going to be used, I would expect that staff would also be required to not have a cell phone out the entire school day as to model this for students.
- Student safety and immediate communication with parents. This is a huge issue and vital issue for me. The ability to communicate and know my children are safe and we know the daily plans each day are a big deal for working parents who are scheduling pick up and drop offs. Open communication with my children during the day is a very important issue for our family,
- A lot of students use their phone to listen to music. It's an anxiety issue and helps them relax. Also, some students just carry their phones out of habit. Also, one time a student was accidentally locked in a bathroom, and had to use their cellphone to have stuff unlock the door.

There are a lot of situations that can happen. What if a shooting happens and we have to get ahold of our children.

- It's 2022. We should be able to communicate with our kids. I agree. Not out in classroom. But between classes and home room should be available.
- I don't believe you will follow any of our suggestions. You haven't on any other items. Your agenda is already set. You are just using this to say you asked people.
- Why do you have a cell phone? Communication with my kids
- The pouch is just another way for the district to waste money. This is 2022, don't treat the students like prisoners and they won't act like prisoners. Set guidelines such as work needs to be done, no making TikTok videos etc. Simply Enforce the rules!
- My only concern is if there is an emergency at the school and you need to know that your child is safe
- I do not believe Yonder pouches should be used in the case of an emergency happening. We have seen an increase over the years in school shootings and with as big as DHS one side of the building may not know what is going on on the other side and kids not having access to their phones could result in dire consequences.
- I think texting is a great way for students to stay in touch with parents. I see it as more beneficial in the upper grades, and have sent cell phones to school with my kids for this reason. I believe they can easily be allowed use during passing periods, and at lunch. I also understand that it could end up being "one more thing" for teachers, and I do not want to see an extra burden in that regard. I also understand that while my kids can generally just call and text because they do not have much data, it may be problematic for students who want their phones for surfing the web, or using apps, not for communication. I do remember that when I was in school (30 years ago) there was a payphone near the office. As a teenager, I remember appreciating this connection to home.
- I feel better knowing my child has their phone on them
- My child should have the right to have a phone at school in case of emergencies. They should not have the phone out and playing on it, but they should have the right to contact a parent if they feel unsafe, have an emergency etc. Or a parent can message them for transportation issues or emergencies. If it's not a parent they are messaging they should be in trouble for playing on it.
- The Yondr products are facing legal challenges in many locations since they directly block access to contact 911 and emergency services. That is a poorly executed product and should not be considered. The district has enough litigation and liability exposure without creating new opportunities for law suites. I have had personal experiences with picking my student up for a Dr appointment and the school failed each time to notify my child that I was there to pick her up. I also have had a number of times when my child is notified to stay after school for various programs. I'm not clear how else she would be able to notify me in a timely manner. In emergencies students should be able to contact parents.
- There is a office phone for a reason kids are at school to learn
- Adults work and have their phones available. Teachers sit in meetings on their cell phones, laptops, etc. As adults, we have a do as I say not as I do mindset. We expect kids to follow expect but we don't follow those same expectations when we are in settings when we should. I am that parent that text my children during the day whether it's about missing assignments,

pick up arrangements after school, or a family issue.....I think it's a matter of teaching them appropriate and inappropriate times to have them out.

- I think the high school students should be able to use phones during lunch, homeroom, passing periods and study hall. I think they should be put away during class or face disciplinary action. I've heard that arranging fights with cell phones has been an issue. I don't think locking cell phones in pouches will cut down on arranging fights. High school kids have always arranged fights. They'll just find another way.. maybe back to passing notes. Considering the climate of school shootings, for my child's safety, I DO NOT support the pouches. I want my child to be able to contact someone if he doesn't feel safe. That should not be taken from him or any other student.
- hard life issues outside of school, students outside possible jobs.
- I am aware that phones can be a huge distraction. Unfortunately, the videos I've seen of the female resource officer being slammed into the wall by a male student is scary for me. The fact that water bottles have been throw in the direction of my child several times this year is also an issue. The safety &.mental health of my child hugely outweighs the inconveniences for the staff at the buildings. A good teacher will be able to hold the kids' attention and gain the respect of those students within their classrooms. I do believe that students age and maturity is definitely a factor. My 6th grader does not own a cell phone, because she isn't old enough. My 10th grader is plenty mature enough to know when to use her phone and when not to.
- Phones are integrated into our lives and will be for the foreseeable future in the lives of our children. Learning to be responsible with your phone has value. During instruction, phones should neither be seen or heard. While, phones should be on silent, vibrate or off; children are forgetful. Even adults are forgetful in this regard. Kids should just be reminded to silence their phones if they get an audible notification or call. We don't need special pouches. That teaches them nothing.
- It's a distraction School isn't meant for accessories you're there to learn not play
- I think it is important to have contact with my high school age child throughout the day to relay important information. For instance, if she needs to let us know that something significant has happened at school that day and she is safe or if I need her to pick her brother up or be home at a certain time to watch her brother due to an emergency. With the number of incidents of school emergencies I feel safer being able to contact my daughter during the day and knowing she can contact me if she needs to.
- As a teacher, I am fed up with cell phones. Students cannot stay off of them and are missing a lot of instruction. They're huge distractions. They're used too often for bullying or setting up meeting spots for skipping class (or worse). As a parent, I'd like to be able to contact my kiddo for some of the reasons I mentioned in a previous response, but overall...cell phones need to be locked away!!!
- I believe my child has the right to her cell phone, things happen at school and she has the right tell me something in private. If she violates the policy then I agree she should be held responsible.
- It's the parents responsibility to teach their children when and where it's appropriate to use their phones. It's the school's responsibility to ensure the children have a fun and safe environment to learn. Cell phones can help with that in many ways. Sometimes they can be a distraction, that's why parents and teachers both need to communicate clearly with the children

when It's okay and not ok to be on them and what the expectations are. Then if they continue to break the rules the teacher should have the right to take the phone away and return to the child's parent or guardian.

- Parents allow our children to carry cell phones in case of an emergency and to be able to keep contact if something happens between home and school
- I want my child to have ready access to her own cell phone in case of emergency or feeling unsafe. If she would have out for other reasons during the day I feel that there could be a consequence.
- None, kids should have to put them on teachers desk when they enter class, or kept in homeroom till end of day.
- I don not support my child not being able to use their phone during an emergency situation. I have had a niece who had an emergency at Danville High and need d to he use of her cell phone.
- No phones while the teacher is teaching. But in hallways and unstructured time phone are allowed
- Hold those accountable who don't follow rules. Don't punish all for something others are doing.
- You will end up getting phones stolen. If you want them to act like adults, treat them as they are adults.
- These kids have problems and might not want to call us from the school phone I need to talk to my child though out the day no matter what
- Keep them put up during school hours
- I want my child to have the ability to contact me at any time. There are enough safety concerns in our school right now I want to be able to communicate as needed with my child. I also have children with anxiety's during things like storms that I would like them to be able to communicate with me during sever weather to provide reassurance.
- My child should be able to use her phone I brought it for her so I should be able to say when she cannot use it not the school not District 118, they have tried to gain to much control over my child already.
- I am a single mom nurse anesthetist that needs to communicate with my children during the day, lunch and between classes I feel this should be allowed
- I would wonder w the Yonder pouch what is the accessibility in case of an emergency.
- The school doesn't pay for my students phone so they can't control it
- Let them use they phones
- Children should also be aloud on there phones during free time like lunch, we live in 2022 not 1990. Phones are a daily use, I use them at my job my child uses hers in school, she needs to copy notes but the slide is going to fast take a photo, she needs to record the lecture. Someone is harassing her and your teachers don't believe her she can record it. There was just a fight video going around on social media, a girl recorded it and now we truly know what happened and not some story told by kids. I feel as. If my child is a lot safer with her phone. My I ask you guys why phones are such a distraction ?
- I do believe something like the yondr pouches would be a great deterrent for distractions in the classroom. Although, I do feel like kids should be able to access their phones in between classes only. If a situation arises where the student needs to be contacted immediately then the parents can contact office personnel.
- Teachers are to go with the rules as well.

- In an emergency, or the school goes on lock down, my child gets sick, he has asthma so if his inhaler runs out or needs a ride home instead of walking.
- Get input from the teachers.
- I attended district 118 schools through to 11th grade. 12th grade I attended a school in another state who allowed us to have our phones during passing periods, lunch, and free periods, and it drastically cut down on cell phone usage during class time. It worked extremely well.
- We should all be able to communicate when an emergency occurs. Specially with the school shootings that have taken place in the last decade.
- I see staff on their phones all day long (via social media, messages...ect) therefore if a child junior high or older has a phone, I think let parents figure out their own solutions.
- y'all are ridiculous for trying to enforce this
- Well what if the child is having trouble breathing the nurse isn't there that day and the only means of contact is the child's cell phone to call the parent. I didn't give my child a cell phone for the school to lock it up so they can't use/get to in case of a true emergency and as far as I'm concerned you guys basically have it almost like a prison there for them kids now. I realize you're trying to keep the kids on their schoolwork that I understand more than you will ever know. Every time I hear my child is on his cell phone I have a talk with him about it but I don't think locking their cell phones up is NOT the answer
- It would be different if our children were attending a private school with private rights. There's also a difference between being on your phone in class and using your phone as a distraction. In the technology-based world we live in, students are more than capable of listening to their lectures and replying to a message.
- I understand that cell phone usage is a problem, but there are students who are not breaking the rules and try hard to follow the expectations. I would also offer that many teachers don't enforce the current cell phone expectations. The internal house must be in order before changing expectations again. Perhaps the yonder pouches should be used as a step in disciplinary action and not something that affects everyone.
- There is a phone in every classroom that a parent can contact the teacher and their child through.
- They can keep them in their pockets and only use them between classes or free time in class. Also, my kids can tell me if practices are cancelled that day to keep us updated.
- If you take the children's phone and lock them then the teachers' phones are to be treated the same. I do not agree with locking the phones in a pouch in case of emergency. The school also does not answer the phones like they should
- It should be allowed to have for emergency purposes and contact with parents. Should not be used for games or entertainment if caught doing so it should be put away when teacher requests. Refusals should be dealt with with disciplinary actions and contact with parents. I am more at ease with my child having hers and being able to contact me if she is having issues, bullying, and if she isn't feeling well. My child feels more relaxed knowing she can contact me when she needs to.
- When I was in school your phone had to be put away, and sound off unless the teacher gave you permission to use it. It should stay that way.
- For my child's safety they should be allowed to have their cell phones. I'd rather hear from my child and know they are ok than wait for an automated call an hour later to tell me what

happened at school. There are many situations happening at schools that these kids should have their phones. I understand they need to be focused on school if you need to discipline ones that don't listen I understand but not all should suffer.

- So if using this what is the point of them having their phone. I feel there could be better consequences for just random usage of the phones. Any thing sent in emergency or transport change should be shown to a staff member to verify the need.
- Playing video games or surfing the web for non-school related material should be limited. However, any communication from a parent should go straight through with no problem whatsoever. The school would have a massive problem if I found out that my child's ability to communicate with me was in any way hampered whatsoever.
- Sure
- If there is a shooting or fight the phones need to be available- not locked up- I think there are more important issues at the school
- I believe cell phones are a distraction but i think if their are rules and consequences i would like my kids to be able to have it. I understand lunch fights start, etc but i think in case of emergency kids need them. If my child isnt supposed to be on it for class reasons, etc then they need a consequence. I think the rules need to be clear and followed by all teachers and supported. Have to be willing to suspend, take phones, etc. its a tough one but i really would rather my children have them.
- I do not believe that students should be on phones during class, but there are way too many times that athletic practice schedules change at the last minute and we need to be able to get that communication from our daughter since the coaches do not communicate with parents. That along with our daughter being from a split home and sometimes needing to make changes in who is picking her up requires us to be able to communicate with her while she is at school. If we did not hear from her until after school there is no way we would be able to coordinate these daily events.
- If students are responsible & mature with their cell phones during school hours, they should be able to have it in their possession.
- Students should be able to be on them anytime because it's their property
- My kid should be allowed to use his/her cellphone just in case emergency
- My kid should be able to have their phone on them and on at all times
- They should be able to use phones they are high schoolers
- Everybody has something different going on with there lives, and there's many things that happen that a highschool and middle school child should be aloud to contact there parent **WHEVER** they feel. I understand if their using their phone inappropriately I understand and think there should be consequences there, but if a child wants to contact a family member or simply make a call for something important or have there phone for safety reasons or anything they should be able to carry it!!
- I understand the worry of cheating and recording fights and recording others that are unaware. But I do believe that students should have their phones at school.
- Students are constantly on them, not focused on getting work done. Even though their friend is in another class they are always trying to text, or looking at Snapchat.
- I think my child should be able to have their phone in school for my safety and there's .I would like to be able to communicate with my kid/kids throughout the day if needed .

- I would say only in case of emergency
- I feel that there are times that use of phones can be appropriate, at least at the high school level. Younger students may need the more black and white approach. There are students who abuse the use of phones and there can be consequences of that---inappropriate websites, watching a streaming service instead of doing work. But then there can be legitimate times when students need to do something on their phone and should be allowed. If teachers and students can agree on reasonable expectations it would allow for better relationships between staff and students also.
- The yonder pouches only unlock when the children leave the school. How will it work if there is a problem at the school (shooting, fire, etc.)
- I think they are A HUGE distraction
- I feel that cellphones inhibit learning. They should be used only before or after school. Any needed communication should go through the school's office just like always has been. Cell phone usage during school inhibits learning and can be used to cheat rather than actually learning. No different to me than passing notes in school when we were kids.
- Surrounding schools don't allow phones during class. School is for students to learn and they won't learn anything if they have their phones and aren't paying attention.
- Corrective actions should only be taken if cell phone use is in the classroom. Do not make students hate going to school more than they do- when you've already added so many restrictions. Teachers signed up to have patience for kids, I understand how frustrating it can be to have to repeat yourself saying stay off your phone but honestly just keep escalating the consequence. And i'm sure parents will start to take corrective action as well.
- My son does not leave my house without his phone not even to play ball out front our house.
- The way the world is today everyone needs to access help at all times. School shootings, fights, bullying...my sons has the right to get help 911.
- Kids fight in bathrooms I know they do and if one got stabbed and could easily happen everyone in that room is going to run while someone is left bleeding out.
- The world is to mean anymore to not have a phone and 911 in hand.
- Some of these teachers are not teachers bc they care about students and will disrespect them of refuse to let the use the restroom, etc,. Girls having their period and needing new clothes or feminine products
- As my daughter is my emergency contact, the school should be prepared to ensure that the student can immediately use a school phone/contacted immediately if needed. I believe that the school can handle this but in specific situations, the school should have a specific line to contact so that a message would not have to be left by emergency or hospital employees. For FYI, my student will not be attending due to graduating so this will not affect us, but there be others that might be in the same situation.
- Being on the phone in class for social media/ games ahhhh oils not be aloud, but using a calculator or any other tool/ talking to their parents is a right. The school doesn't pay for my child's phone
- you cannot keep children's phones from them they aren't your property and honestly it's not effecting the school you guys just make big deals about it

- I feel that they should be accessible to the student in case of an emergency or to possibly update a parent on something occurring or that may be occurring before having contact with the parent after school.
- With tragedies that have happened in schools I would like to be able to contact my child. Also with recent gun threats in Danville schools I find it reassuring to be able to contact them to check on their well being. Phones should have some limitations to them but they should be on their person and able to send or receive messages.
- Our youth have so much entertainment screen time as it stands. I understand that this is the current culture, but I think they would be more engaged in the learning process without the added distraction. This would also promote healthier habits by reducing reliance on engaging though a device .
- I believe children should be able to have their phones for use during personal time. I do not believe any usage during class should be tolerated.
- "This could be come a huge issues for those children whose cell phone is used as a medical device and sets the district up for lawsuits should harm come to one of these children.
- I will copy what I did again and hope that you will seriously take it into consideration.
- Honestly I have mixed feelings. Adults carry and use cell phones throughout the day, not just school staff, several other professionals too. College students carry phones and use them freely in class. While I understand it's a distraction in the classroom, and that some students are immature in what they use them for (recording fights, sending mean messages, coordinating inappropriate behavior and bathroom meetings), the fact remains that they are a part of day to day life for most people. If there were ever an emergency I want to be able to contact my child, not the school office, not an automated message. I know cell phones are a PITA, I work there, but I also know as a parent I want to be able to contact my child and have them contact me if they need to.
- Start punishing kids who don't follow the rules instead of punishment for kids who don't listen. Kids should be allowed to use their phones during lunch and if a teacher sees fit.
- Students should be able to communicate with their parent throughout the day since the schools are not able to effectively communicate with parents timely.
- Phone use should be a privilege. Pouches / removal should be reserved for those that abuse that privilege.
- If a student can manage their time an phone usage during passing times an breaks while being respectful of the teachers. It shouldn't be an issue. Health issues that might come on quickly an require phone usage to save their own life or fellow students or teacher.
- A child should always be able to communicate with their parents, I believe if they can show they are speaking with their parent it should be fine otherwise they should not be on their phone during school hours
- my kids phone is needed
- Take away phones from students on phones during class
- Students should be held accountable for their actions if they deviate from the approved district policy. The allowed usage and consequences for violations should be well communicated to the student body and this must be consistent across all faculty members. Usage during passing periods should be allowed or during non instruction time provided it doesn't interfere with the

education process. Explain clearly and hold them accountable. Not all faculty are consistent in the policy and this leads to more problems.

- If they are banned they need banned for staff as well.
- Kids shouldn't just freely use their cell phone but it's necessary to have in case of a family emergency
- I would like my child to have access to me in case there was an emergency.
- what's the point have having the phone in the yonder pouch thing if they can't see any important messages from they guardians, don't play. gonna be unlocked before they get home-ya'll might as well keep them at that point.
- I want my child to have his phone available to him at all times. I do not want him on it during the day but I trust that he will do the right thing and use it only when appropriate. If this is not the case, I would want to know that as well so that it can be taken care of at home. This is a different world in which we live today and I cannot fathom not being able to get in touch with him immediately if necessary.
- i don't support it
- As long as students are finished with their assignments and have permission from their teachers, I don't have a problem with phones. Why is this now an issue?
- My child has her phone with her in case of emergencies only if I need to reach her or if she needs to reach me if you lock him in a case that can't happen
- I think phones should be allowed on silent in bags or something like that not to be used thru out the day maybe just to check on lunches or breaks only. In class use should not be allowed at all
- Too many terrible things can happen for my student not to have a phone.
- I would gladly like to discuss the legal ramifications of the district not allowing my daughter to not only have her phone on her at all times, but to also be allowed to use it discretely.
- I agree that cell phones can cause major disruption during class instruction and support the current rules with cell phone usage. From what I have been told, some teachers allow students to use their phone if their class work is complete as long as there is no sound. I have no problem with that as long as students use their phone in the right manner. It makes me feel better knowing my children could contact me during the day if there is a school issue or emergency. I also appreciate it if my oldest son is able to contact me during the day if there is a change of plans for his after school activities. My husband and I remind our son to not use his phone during instruction time and when he is completing his schoolwork and use it if the teacher is allowing it. My concern with the Yondr pouch is whether the phone will be unlocked in between classes so if there is a need to contact me, then they can do so in between classes. We would keep our texts to the minimum. In this day and age, parents appreciate being able to make sure their child is safe and can contact us if there is a need.
- If something comes up and we need to talk to our kids we should be able to
- Tell them to not have it out while in the middle of a lesson but during their time, that's their time and I think it's okay as long as they have a good grade in that class and get their work done.
- Students should be allowed to have their cell phones on them during the school day. They should be able to communicate as needed for important items such as emergencies, schedule changes, ride coordination, etc. Will some students abuse the privilege of being able to continue carrying their phone on them? Yes. Should all students be punished because of that? No. There are much bigger issues that should be getting more visibility and more attention, such as the

quality of education the students are receiving. More attention is paid to trivial matters and not to the actual education and quality of that education that the students should be getting.

- Kids should be able to take personal and emergency calls without his or hers phone being taken away I feel like people should respect that
- Letting kids use their phone in school so they can get updates and news from parents
- It is entirely too disruptive and not necessary. We can contact the school if needed. My child had their picture taken during school hours without permission, as well as a kid took a picture of her teacher and posted it with a derogatory comment. Kids are too distracted as it is. Their focus should be on learning.
- It's important for families to communicate. Every message may not be critical but you can't take away the phone in case something is critical. Make kids want to learn and they will.
- I dont think they shouldnt be allowed do to kids recording others and posting it on social media and or interrupting class work
- Anything can happen. I dont think its a good idea to lock their phones away for a whole school day
- When the kids get finish with their work and is passing the class.
- "Teachers use kahoot often.
- Teachers use google often
- Dojo has teachers looking at their phones non stop
- Students aren't tech savvy, they are tech dependent. These are different things and research supports it.
- Question: Will teachers and admins be banned from cell phones in the building during school hours too?
- Students do NOT feel safe in NR or DHS particularly. Fights and threats are real. Knowing they have outside contact is Critical.
- Some Teachers need classroom management training more than kids need to loose their phone.
- Some teachers are very effectively managing this already, have you asked them how they do it with the same kids in the next class having them out?
- This reminds me of the dress code debacle that continues. Nobody consistently enforces it at DHS then one day it becomes stricter and we send people home for 2-3 days, someone complains and we stop... (Aka ripped jeans)
- For years it said "no leggings" and every day 100s of girls walked in and out with them on... no comments, no redirection, nothing. so after 3 years my daughter said "mom the teachers and staff don't really care about the dress code rules they have why should I?"
- Behavior trump's words. I can tell her why it matters but you negate that by your behavior and actions as a district staff
- Enforce and uphold the rules you already have before wasting time making more. Students rise to the level of expectations you have for them. We have huge issues in this district...Culture change is hard. But it is possible.
- I don't like that phone would be locked. In case of an emergency is there a way to unlock them immediately ? If not, I am not in favor of this
- ""The use of cell phones by students during the school day causes major disruption to the school environment."" The major disruption to the learning environment are the number of fights that

occur on a weekly basis at both the high school and middle school. Phones are the least of anyone's concern! It takes one gun brought into the school that changes a community forever. Lets focus on that rather than a cell phone problem. Let's get our priorities straightened out. My wife and I had to buy a cell phone for our 8th grader this past semester because she felt unsafe in her school. We had a rule before moving to Danville that a cell phone was something you received once you got a driver's license. Unfortunately with the issues in both the high school and middle school, we had to purchase one early. I truly wish that the administration would understand what kind of learning environment this creates for the entire student body. As a parent of four children in the Danville school system, it looks like an abdication of responsibility on the administration. Let's focus on creating a safe environment, and my students can leave their phones at home. Until then, whatever policy you come up with, will NOT be followed by this family. "

- I understand that kids should not be using their phones during classroom periods but I don't feel comfortable with having my children at these schools without a way to contact me if needed
- Putting cell phones on DND and silencing all notifications should be an option. If ever there's a life threatening Situation I want my child to be able to call for help and at least let us know she's okay.
- what if something bad happened to the kids mom or dad or any family member and they get a call and try to answer it but they get in trouble so they can not answer then they go home at the end of the day wondering where someone is.
- I feel you guys are being to harsh to them instead focus on reaching out to them and educate them
- I believe it should be up to the teachers to decide what is best for their classes. Rules that benefit some may not help others. I believe the students should be allowed on their phones during off time. If they are being to much of a distraction in a class, that teacher should have the power to make a rule about phones in their classroom.
- Unfortunately our school system is not able to let parents know things in a timely manner, so my child should be able to contact me
- If student asks a teacher if he could text his parents they should be allowed.
- I think the answers to the question about discipline consequences could go both ways. Is it being abused (texting friends, playing games, listening to music) and I interfering in their learning. I also think the Yonder pouches could go both ways. If the phone is locked all days, the kids can't abuse the use of their phone. However, a parent and child can't communicate if there was an emergency at school.
- My son does use his phone but still gets his work done so i dont see why if he has it out and gets his work done he should get punished for it.
- The school isn't safe, I want to be able to contact my child in an emergency.
- I think a child should be able to keep cell phones first I want to say they should because of emergencies no I don't think should be able to entertain social media or any other friends for their entertainment purpose but it's alot of things going on now in the world kids do need their cell phones while at school
- Stop trying to get in these kids business. Its non of your concern what my child does on his/her phone. stop trying to make it a jail and more of a school

- TO DANVILLE HIGHSCHOOL: Leave these children alone. they are just phones. so harmless.. stop being so strict about phones when the school has way bigger fish to fry. what about the students smoking weed and hitting vapes in the school bathroom? i dont even go to the school and i know all about it. What about the insects and rodents? (roaches and mice). What about the terrible school lunches ? what about the teachers not teaching ANYTHING but throwing these students in front of a computer to "learn". How would you feel if you had to walk around listening to demands and not even having the ability to use your OWN DEVICE that YOU most likely paid for without getting in trouble ? if a phone is a distraction then so are the computers , take those away as well and actually TEACH THESE TEENAGERS SOMETHING. A FEMALE CANT EVEN WALK AROUND SCHOOL WITH LEGGINGS WITHOUT IT BEING A DISTRACTION. ITS NOT DISTRACTING ANYONE. NO ONE AT ALL. and if it's distracting the administration and teachers , THEN YOU' RE A CREEP THAT NEEDS TO BE THROWN IN JAIL. YOUR SEXUALIZING TEENAGE GIRLS. what a shame.
- Y'all acting like school is a fucking prison.
- They may be a distraction I agree with that fact but with bullying..teacher student relationships as well as many other issues involved with schools my child will not give the rights up to his phone or lock his phone preventing communications with me
- "Children with mental health issues need the security of being able to contact the person they know they can trust & is often the only person that can help them in that moment. I have children that struggle with sensory processing, anxiety, depression & PTSD & want to be available any time they need me!
- If students are abusing cell phones & using them at times they shouldn't be, shouldn't we discipline those students, at the time, instead of taking away everyone's rights? My high schooler is in NHS, so her phone is obviously not hindering her education. So, why should she be punished? "
- If there's clear inappropriate behavior, that would be cause for concern. Otherwise, students should be able to communicate with family during the school day if they desire.
- High schoolers especially should be utilizing their phones in school academically, as well as preparing them to balance using them appropriately in a college/work environment, rather than expecting them to ignore the basic technology equipment these children have grown up with.
- i think during each class they should be turned in to the teacher unless they are done with there work.
- I don't think the children should have those because if it's the same ones they should just be wrote up and then take the phones away if they don't listen
- Kids should be able to keep their phones it's something they have if they need to get in contact with their guardian it don't matter the situation if they feel they need to talk to us then they should be able to freely
- As long as they get done with their work I think they should be allowed to use them. During lunch kids should be able to use them. It is their property and you are not paying for it
- Students should be allowed to check their phones between classes and at lunch. The same as teachers.
- Also it has been so many schools tragedies, that the kids having a cell phone to be able to call for help, is very important and keep parents a little less worried

- With the way the world is today, we never know when something bad may happen. If something were to happen I want my child to have a way to communicate with me
- Consider only letting children use phones during passing periods and turned off while in class
- There are times teachers allow them to be on their phones in class when they have down time. Time to worry about these kids getting a true education instead of phones and book bags and what they are wearing.
- My child will continue to be able to bring his or hers with responsible use regarding of importance whether a vote goes one way or the other.
- I believe that the phones should be put up. However not locked up. If they keep violating policy during class and being disruptive then action should be taken. Students not violating the policy during class should be able to keep it. My kids have phones to get a hold of us during emergency's. We have had several occasions where school has failed on protecting my child.
- "They should have the cell phone if something happens to them on their way home the kids can call someone
- I think during any free time passing in halls or even lunches they should be allowed to use them. During class no I understand that would be a distraction. But as a parent I bought my child a phone so he can ALWAYS have access to reach me ANYTIME same with me reaching them in emergency situations.
- I think it's important that me and my children be able to communicate during the day
- Students should be able to carry a cell phone in case a parent needs to get a message to them immediately, such as in emergent situations and/or when their after school plans or routines have sudden changes. Also students should be able to talk to parents when they feel the need for a parent's counsel or advice; being bullied, feeling depressed or scared, or just stressed are some situations they may find comfort in a parent.
- We live in a society where cellphones are a critical tool in education and everyday life. Not allowing students to have their cellphones is a quick way to breed distrust between the school and the parents.
- I think a lot of kids are easily distracted by cell phones. It's the parent's job to ensure that their student is paying attention in class and not being disruptive. However, if I want to text my child during school hours, I will do so. She is only 6 so we don't currently have this issue. When my child is allowed to bring her phone to school it will be for the reason of emergency contact and it will not be disruptive during school lesson.
- I feel that children in elementary or middle school should not be allowed to have a cell phone's at school but I do feel as if the high school students should be allowed to have them in case of an emergency other than that no because it's a distraction.
- Taking someone's property is theft. Regardless what you're doing it for it's still theft. You don't pay for it it's not yours. It seems like you're turning this school into a prison. Kids should go to school happy to learn but instead they are coming to school in fear. Before they even get inside you're wandering them down. Even having someone checking out the clothes they wear. Making them wear clear backpacks and now taking away cellphones. Taking away any privacy they might have. Seems like the same thing they do in prison. Seems like it to me. What does it solve? Nothing! Absolutely nothing! If you want to improve on something improve on space. There are too many kids in that school. Why not work on that?
- Should be able to use phone when work is done

- You guys should not take childrens phone you don't pay for them or pay the phone bills.
- With all the school shootings children should be allowed to have their phones, it could potentially save lives. There could be a situation where the child is to go somewhere else after school and it's too late in the days to get a message to them through the school. Child also has anxiety and has a calming app.
- I believe they should not be locked up for emergency issues that could arise at school and they have to leave quickly they have a way to contact someone and if we're to get separate from there class or a teacher they can communicate through a text to let someone know they are safe
- Cell phones aren't necessary in school
- lunch
- They should consider that everybody got phones and it's apart of our life now
- I feel my child should have the ability to reach her father or I if she should need to immediately.
- If there were an emergency at the school during school hours, I expect my student to be able to contact me.
- yea
- For emergencies it is good. Plus, she has divorced parents. To me she is usually lets me know about rides or schools tests she does good on.
- School is a time to study. If child has a problem needs to talk to parents after school and teacher needs to contact parent instead of being quiet and covering things up.
- I feel like it's not that serious and they should be able to use their phones
- none
- If there was an active shooter or bomb threat at the school the child should be able to reach their parent or guardian.
- I feel students should not have their phones out for any reason during a class, including for classroom activities now that students have chromebooks. However, I do not have a problem with students being allowed to use them during lunch.
- The pouch should be part of the discipline process as most kids are responsible to follow the rules.
- If they are using it excessively during class when they are supposed to be working put it in a cell phone pouch until the end of that class.
- "I suggest on special times, such as on extracurricular activity days an exemption can be considered. Our children and the teachers may find it better, when possible, if the child can notify parents that they are done and ready to go home at the end of the activity. For this situation we all may find it beneficial if they are allowed to bring the communication device, e.g., phones so the child can call parents when he/she is done and is pick up ready. This is, of course, after official class hours. During the activity the device should still be off and out of reach so it will not disturb the activity events.
- Every child's situation is different. I do not think they should be allowed to play on phones during learning periods but allowed to check them during passing hours. Some children are parents some children have different home settings such as single mothers that need to relay messages to older kids who care for younger kids and overall if they could openly check their phones during passing period or non learning periods you would have less issues with distractions of kids trying to sneak on their phones. In 2022 everyone uses phone technology... Even the teachers

have phones at school. One walked me to the office while checking her phone openly which she probably shouldn't have been doing which leads to say maybe no one including staff should be allowed to have personal devices at anytime during work hrs as well so there is no conflict as to why they have phones seeing as they have a company phone numbers and extensions or designate passing hrs as a time to check ur device.

- My high schooler is responsible enough to have her phone and only use it in these instance
- N/A
- "If there is ever a reason that I need to contact my child during school hours and he is unable to access his phone until the end of the day then you will have a very pissed off mother. If you feel the need to yet again purchase unnecessary shit for students then how about you buy the clear shoe holders that go on the backs of doors. Make kids place phones in there during class.
- For you, as a district, to feel that you need to have total control over the access a parent has to their child is absolutely ridiculous. We've asked to be able to sit in class with our students who are having trouble and we're told no. Why? Something going on in the schools that you don't want parents to see??
- Here we are yet again being asked to give our opinions, but will you actually listen this time? Sad to say I don't believe you will. "
- I have felt for along time that cell phones should not be aloud. They are a disruption in class. I had got called due to my son having his phone out during class and taken away. When the teacher called me I clearly told him after he told me I could pick it up at the end of day I said " I would pick it up at the end of the week if I made time to." And I said that to show my son that he was being punished for disrespecting his teacher while he was in class to learn. So I say all this cause I feel no cell phones should be aloud when I attended school they existed but not aloud in school. When my parents needed to call me out for a appointment or ect they would call school. So with that being said bring back the old times and call the school if you need anything that pertains to your child.
- Some parents are single parents and we rely on our kids to have cell phones on them. On silent so it doesn't ring but on them. The school might not answer in a time of an emergency.
- You should talk to the students and make them understand, allow them to be interested in the topic and they will stay off their phones. Yonder pouches will only disconnect me from my children in case of an emergency that could take place at school.
- Children need to just go to school to learn like many have before them. They are already distracted enough be and many have fallen behind. School districts need to take back control and put giving our children and education above everything else.
- If you get to communicate with your kids and family during the day then what's the issue.
- "I think it's important to be able to reach my child during school hours in case of changes with transportation, practice changes, etc. If there was an emergency situation at school, I should have the right and my child should have the ability to contact me.
- I do not agree with students being allowed to accept phone calls, having cell phones out and visible or using them while class is in session. "
- "I don't like the aspect of having the phone locked in a pouch that needs a special tool for the unlock. I can see my kid forgetting and she gets home with her phone locked in there overnight or over the weekend.

- Could you implement cell phone signal jammers in the buildings? Something that could be turned on and off? Maybe turned on at allowable times during the day, like lunch, but off during class periods?
- Could you even jam the signal but set up a program where kids could earn the right to a wifi password that would only give access to their phone? Like unique passwords based on phone number. Then if a responsible kid earns the right to have their phone and have it on because they are trustworthy then they don't pay the price for the irresponsible kids. It's sad that all of this has to be done for the 10% who can't be responsible and it would be nice to have a program that rewards responsibility. "
- I am not completely in support of the yonder pouch, lets there was an extreme emergency situation and that child needed to get contact their parent but everyone else was busy with said emergency who would unlock that pouch? If it is a repeat offender that just absolutely will not put their phone away and it is causing a disruption in school then yes use the pouch.
- I feel like I should be able to contact my child .
- Cellphones provide students with tools that aid in coursework, such as planning and reminders. The use of cell phones provides a sense of safety for children, especially with increased school shooting concerns. I want my children to know they have instant access to their parent should any issue arise. Children can be taught to use cell phones responsibly. We live in a world of advancing technology, and policies should be updated accordingly.
- I feel if they arent on phone then it shouldn't be locked
- she should only be able to contact me and let me know what's going on therefore i would like my child to keep her phone in school , as long as she's paying attention in class and not in her phone she should be able to keep it in her , and i will be having a talk with her about that .
- I fee as if kids could have their phones as long as they are off and out of site
- Just let the children on their phones just for circumstances.
- I think they should just keep it the same.
- Cell phones are now part of everyday life. If a child has some downtime between classes or assignments I don't see the harm in allowing them to check messages. I also feel comfortable that I have the ability to reach my child in case there is an emergency.
- They are a problem for 90% of students
- Put responsibility with the students. Discipline them (with possibly a warning or two first) when not following district policies. Students already have to have big changes starting in middle school or high school with upcoming metal detectors and the clear backpacks.
- If the school doesn't pay for it, they don't have a right to take it away or "Lock it".
- If extracurriculars have been cancelled it would be a much more efficient way for children to contact their guardian.
- if kids are using their phones for bad purposes they should not be allowed to use it but if these have never had their phones how would you know if they could be responsible with it. Even with that aside times are changing and technology is the future so why not let our future generation have technology.
- I think teachers shouldn't care if there done with they work
- My daughter is in elementary school (Kindergarten) and doesn't have a cell phone yet so take my responses with a grain of salt. LOL. A policy to consider may be a differentiated policy by grade level, since probably almost all students in higher grades would have a cell phone. Also, I

wonder if any teachers allow or would allow students to use their phone in the classroom for educational purposes, such as research, watching a video that explains a concept, etc. I would think it would be helpful to allow students to use their phones in high school classes under the supervision of their teacher. For example, if students need extra help with a math concept, the teacher could list some math videos to watch that go over that concept while students are working on their assignment in the classroom. This would allow students to get help more readily and not have to wait for help from the teacher if he/she is helping a different student.

- I believe the focus should be teaching responsible phone use rather than concentrating on a consequence for using or a way to "make" kids not be on their phones. Pretending like we live in a society that even adults can put their phone away is absurd. A better use of time and energy would be to teach them to use them responsibly. Adults could use those lessons as well.
- A child having a cell phone in school is sometimes necessary because I need to reach my child about things and they need to reach me. If they can't then they won't have transportation, or they may be in pain at school and afraid to tell someone. There may be an emergency at home that the child would like to remain updated about that they can't without a phone on them at all times. Yes phones should not be out all the time in class and the students should be paying attention but having them on their person is necessary because you never know when they child will need to contact someone outside of school for an important reason but they don't want others around them to know.
- I believe students should be able to bring their cell phones to school as long as they are locked in their lockers. One reason being so that if they need to contact a parent at the end of the day about after school plans they may. Especially for those students whose parents will still be working at the end of the school day. Another reason being that their cell phones are accessible before each class just in case they may need to use it to make a video for proof that there may be a teacher who is bullying students. Or vice versa. If a student is caught with their phone in class for any other reason then I believe they should be punished however the school deems necessary also by the parent. If the parent chooses to do so which hopefully they would unless their child was using their cell phone for the reason I stated earlier.
- no
- I would like to be able to communicate with my child
- I think this is a bit for but I think it could be good for the students to have a designated time to have their cell phones whether it be before class or after. This way they aren't being distracted from learning but are still able to communicate in some way shape or form
- I think they are a distraction at the middle school high school level, kids should be able to have them but they need put away and turned off.
- Access to her guardian's and access to more school info for more participation.
- none
- i understand if a student uses the phone blatantly but if they need to use it like a family emergency or they need to message a parents regarding things that happen after school maybe they need a ride? either way i think that it would be wiser to have an administrator be more understanding if things happen.
- If they are able to have their phone they would have more information for projects they are working on.

- When the child is done with their work i feel like they should be able to be on their cell phone. Also around lunch time, lunch Time is where my child can call me for lunch or for dinner. other than that they should not be able to play on phone around work time.
- my son should be able to have his phone in pocket
- I think if they are messing with their phone their should be discipline's. My child have anxiety and music keeps her focus and she focuses better with head phones. Even her doctor and counselors agree.
- I feel like cell phones should be banned. I do not allow my child to even have one due to the internet sites I have found she has been associating herself with. It's a pain for when my kids play sports though. Such as coachs think every child has one and we do not allow our children to have their own. Unless there is a group me, it is hard for us to know when our child is returning from games.
- If you look at other school district that have implemented Yoder pouches, it is typically implemented for one year due to the lack of durability. Who is going to pay the continual cost of replacing broke purchases? I would like to see a budget for this program. Phones are an enforcement issue. Teachers are allowing students to use their phones when they are not in a lesson. Teachers use their phones. Also, I understand that their are certain things the school offers that require QR codes (prom, tickets, library, etc). Phones are a part of our daily lives and students (and teachers/staff) should be taught how to use them appropriately.
- I think more time should be spent on education and actually solving real problems within D118 instead of this dress code and cell phone debacle. If they are causing a disturbance remove them. This is a waste of time.
- I believe that older students should be allowed to have cell phones at school, with the expectation that they are put away during class.
- Kids should be able to contact their children in case of an emergency.
- I do not think kids should be using them during the day and should only be using them in an emergency. They are there to learn not text everyone also opens the door to cheating on tests and homework.
- "Safety is the number one priority. The need should the unthinkable be happening to have ability to have open communication with my children.
- Discipline for casual, not approved usage should be enforced and expected. Casual use, is disruptive and should absolutely be handled as disciplinary action. Our family has the need to be able to communicate directly with one another. My children always inform their teachers on these days and get permission to check messages if they receive one while we are at the hospital.
- I feel that the situation with cell phone usage is a classroom management issue and could be handled as part of expectations and discipline, not taking away the communication from families and students who utilize it for safety, family emergencies or scheduling changes that impact their need to be picked up (which can also be a safety concern if not communicated) "
- Cell phones are not going anywhere. Learn ways of incorporating them at school. There are apps that block social media apps during certain hours that should be used by parents.
- Freedom
- I firmly believe that phones can be a useful tool when doing research. I believe that with a teacher's permission, phones should be allowed, also during lunch, passing periods, and study

halls. Most business have employees carry a phone or be readily available by their personal cell. If we are training for the world outside DHS, they should also be available when needed by parents.

- They can keep it with them, but they need to keep it in their backpacks. When they go to lunch they can use it until they go back to class, and put it on mute or silent.
- My daughter has her phone on vibrate in her book bag. She's not allowed to use it at school.
- Cell phones distract students and keep students from reaching their full academic potential.
- because what if it any thing happends
- Disciplinary action should be enforced for those students that abuse cell phone usage and/ or causing a distraction as a result. Students that show respect with cell phone usage and follow the rules of not using during class should not have to suffer because of the ones that do not. As a parent I feel that it's necessary for my children to have access to their cell phones during the day for emergency purposes and for communicating transportation changes/ issues (ie. practice cancelled, etc.)
- It's 2022. Time to adapt to progress. If teachers can have their phones so can kids
- I can lock/unlock my child's phone remotely. So, if I feel he needs to use it, I will unlock it. Otherwise it is locked during school hours.
- Students who bring their phones should keep possession of their phones. Students should also follow the rules of the district and keep them put away, unless permission to use has been given by their teacher.
- If you're worried about school safety and need clear bags and metal detectors, my kids needs to be able to contact me in light of the events you're worried about to need these items.
- Why are we punishing obedient students...treat them like responsible adults...follow the rules, keep phone and backpacks....dont follow rules face disciplinary action
- I think it's ok to lock them up during class time. But at the end of class they should be opened up.
- I understand they can be a distraction but I don't like my child losing the their phone because other kids are not respecting the use of them during class. Plus if these same kids aren't using phone they will find other ways to not pay attention
- It's 2022 for gods sake. Mobile tech and digital comms are a way of life now. It's crazy that an educational institution would not integrate this fact into their program. D118 is trying to do school like the 1960s and that world DOES NOT EXIST anymore. This and other policies (clear backpacks, metal detectors) are oppressive, discriminatory, racist policies, thinly veiled as safety precautions. They unfairly impact our black and brown students, as authoritarian policies always do. D118 needs to get it's act together and modernize. It's driving people away from our community.
- I think they should be able to use their phones on breaks. Not in the classroom. That is disrespectful.
- On top of the many safety concerns I already have as a District 118 parent, this district has proven themselves as poor communicators. Students and parents need to be able to communicate with each other as they see fit for their family.
- N/A
- I believe the last two questions are great ideas and I truly feel that the only time students should have their phones in emergency cases only

- How can one learn on cellphone during instructional time with staff. It should be allowed for one purpose ONLY and that is in EMERGENCY CASES ONLY.....
- just not an over use of them
- The school has several possibilities and experiences with technology issues that affect the school lines where parents can't reach or get through, as well as in cases where there is a staff shortage in answering phones we can still get in touch with our children as needed. Parents do not want their children to have access to their phones to be on social media or consistently texting their friends etc. it's so that we have contact with them in an emergency or last minute schedule changes! Locking their personal phones in a pouch is not effective and will not be accessible in an emergency situation.
- Our kids should have there phones and be responsible
- My child should be able to carry her phone in her pocket in case of emergency's and safety reasons because she is in many extra curricular activities. If she is playing with it in class and being disrespectful there should be consequences to that. As long as students are being responsible and keeping it on silent in their pockets it should be fine.
- Breaks only, just like a job (most jobs). If it would be too much to keep track of, then just have it too and from school. They are at school to learn.
- I get kids need to focus on school but there are situations where our kids need their phones
- Yes , teachers and kids should be off phones while working and doing school work. Your doing a job and they are learning. REMEMBER, FOLLOW THE LEADER, SET AN EXAMPLE!
- I think when they aren't doing anything for the time and finished with they're work they should be able to have they're phones out.
- at colleges the professors dont care if your on your phones there is a time to do it when you are not learning and have finished your work, in these circumstances there is no reason why you should not be able to have a cell phone along with the idea that in the real word outside of school you get fired if your on your hone dont punish everyone for only what some are doing
- Only emergency situations if school is under threat students can reach out for help if staff is unavailable
- Only restriction should be phones are in silent mode during the day.
- They should be able to have them out especially during lunch or in the halls even after their done with their work
- the students should concentrate on their school then the cell phone .
- District 118 puts such much stress on the wrong things, cell phones ..clear book bags..the dress code... when the needs need to be focused on why the children are failing multiple classes.Put that effort into supporting students. Athletics is one route a lot of student depend on to make it to college but again there is no support. Put a focus on making kids successful in everyday life. Our district is so far behind other schools is it sad. When you visit surrounding schools or even across the line in Indiana the amount of pride that is shown just puts our schools to shame. My child knows to keep her phone with her but not to use it, I'm not relying on the school to give her a message it has failed too many times. The teachers can't even get attendance correct, or entering grades.
- Just like work. As adults we have rules to follow but if u have something going on at home like a emergency you should be able to leave to a designated area to take or make calls. In today's world it's important

- Cell phones have little or no place in the academic environment. They are a distraction and can be a detriment
- get the lock box, but only use it as a discipline for the children who choose not to put their phone away. have one in each class room .
- "In this day in age, I don't feel comfortable sending my child to any school, anywhere, without a cell phone. I understand that you have taken steps to try and prevent violence in school and weapons being brought in. However, none of that is 100%. My child does what they need to do in class. They pay attention, participate and is a high honor student.
- I agree, cell phones should not be out during class, but I also know that very few teachers take disciplinary action for those who break that rule. I have had two other children at DHS from the years 2006 to 2015. They both said that teachers don't enforce the rules. So, while I understand that children need to be responsible and follow rules, I also feel like teachers should enforce the rules given to them.
- I know that the district has our children's best interest at heart. Safety should be top priority and God forbid something tragic should happen and our children have no way to immediately communicate outside of the school if help was needed."
- Don't like no cell phones! Understand it's being abused and steps need to be taken.
- I think you guys should let them keep the phones but have certain rules if you get caught using the wrong way.
- Students should be allowed to use phone after they are done with their work
- "The committee should very hold in their regards that the function & use of cellular capable devices could very much be permitted in the pupils presence of when their is boredom present & they have completed/finished all of their responsibilities of that very day should they be allowed to surf through the exploring and magnificent pages of the web
- I think the children should be able to open the pouch at least 2 times a day for sudden emergencies
- Don't have any
- Mrs Cherry's retirement.
- I feel like parents should be able to contact their children for 10 minutes without having to schedule an appointment maybe giving them a free period or during lunch.
- I would like my child to have her phone on her at all times in case there is an emergency at school.