

Mobile Communication Device Survey Summary

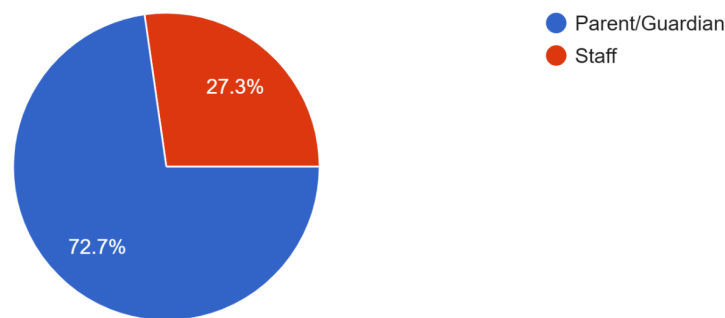
Requirement for adoption of NEW board policy 5131.8 - Mobile Communication Devices

In 2024, California passed AB 3216, requiring all school districts to adopt policies that limit student phone use to support learning, safety, and well-being. Many schools across the state have already adopted phone-free environments to improve student focus, reduce distractions, and promote a positive school culture. Under AB 3216, all California LEAs (districts, charters, county offices) *must* adopt a policy by July 1, 2026, that limits or prohibits student smartphone use while under school supervision.

Data to Consider for decision making:

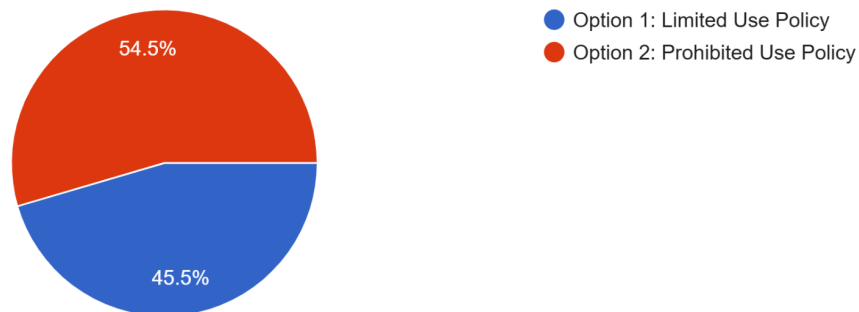
What is your role?

286 responses



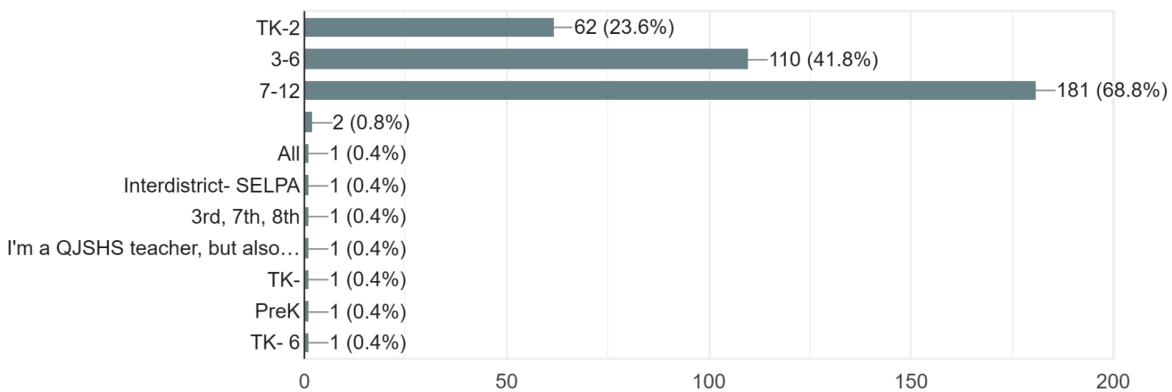
Which mobile phone policy option do you support for PCOE/PUSD

286 responses



Parents: Grade Span (Check all that apply)

263 responses



Survey Results Overview:

The Mobile Communication Device Survey was distributed to PCOE/PUSD staff and families to gather input on student mobile device use during the school day.

- Total Responses: 286
 - Staff: 78 responses (27%)
 - Families: 208 responses (73%)
- Purpose: To inform district policy development and ensure consistent expectations across sites. Stakeholder feedback is a legal requirement under AB 3216.

Overall Survey Results – Policy Preference

- 54.5% of all respondents selected Option 2: Prohibited Phone Use Policy.
- This result indicates overall support for banning student phone use during school hours to support learning and safety.

Administrative Team Feedback

- Collected at the 6/16/25 Instructional Leadership Team meeting.
- Total Responses: 15 school and district office administrators.
- 93% (14 out of 15) supported Option 2 – Prohibited Use Policy.

Staff Feedback Summary

- 16.7% supported Option 1 – Limited Use Policy.
- 83.3% supported Option 2 – Prohibited Use Policy.
- Key themes:
 - Classroom disruption and loss of instructional time.
 - Social media distractions, behavioral issues, and student privacy concerns.
 - Enforcement of option 1 has been a challenge for the staff to manage.

Parent/Guardian Feedback Summary

Among parents and guardians who responded to the survey:

- 41.8% supported Option 1 – Limited Use Policy
- 58.2% supported Option 2 – Prohibited Use Policy
- Themes included:
 - Concerns about student safety and the need for phones to communicate.
 - Support for increased face-to-face interaction and reduced screen time.
 - Awareness of research linking phone use to mental health and academic issues.