

- Engaged Intellectually
 - Connected Socially



MI PhoneFree Schools

July, 17 2024 to July 17, 2025



WALK THE TALK

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SCHOOL DISTRICT

STUDENTS
ARE THE
PRIORITY

VALUES

WE BELIEVE IN:

- Supporting the whole child.
- Creating inclusive and equitable learning settings.
- Ensuring our school communities are safe and supportive.
- Providing rigorous and challenging learning.

MISSION

The District will foster learning by engaging students in thinking critically, solving problems creatively, and working collaboratively.



VISION

Inspiring our students to be lifelong learners as they create their futures.



“Game changer.”

– MIHS Teacher

“Classrooms feel more alive.”

– MIHS Student

“Students are more present.”

- IMS Administrator



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How did we do?



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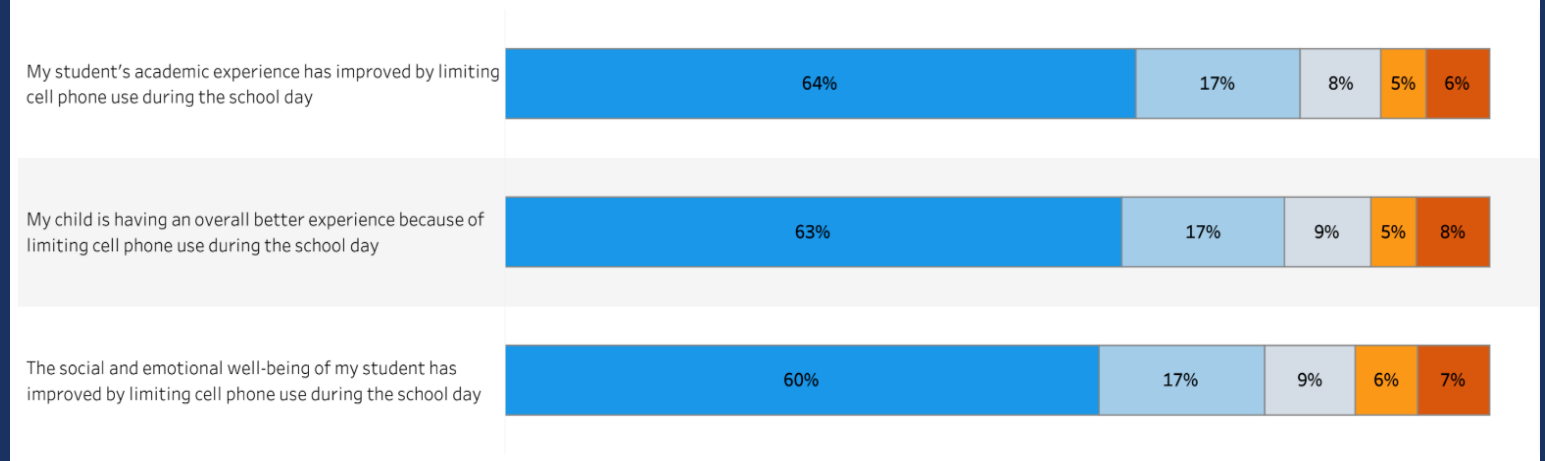


Create more intentional learning environments by removing cell phones during the school day.

Parents- 2025

Impact of Limiting Cell Phone Usage

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Staff- 2025

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My ability to teach students as improved by limiting cell phone use during the school day



Student engagement in the classroom has improved by limiting cell phone use during the school day



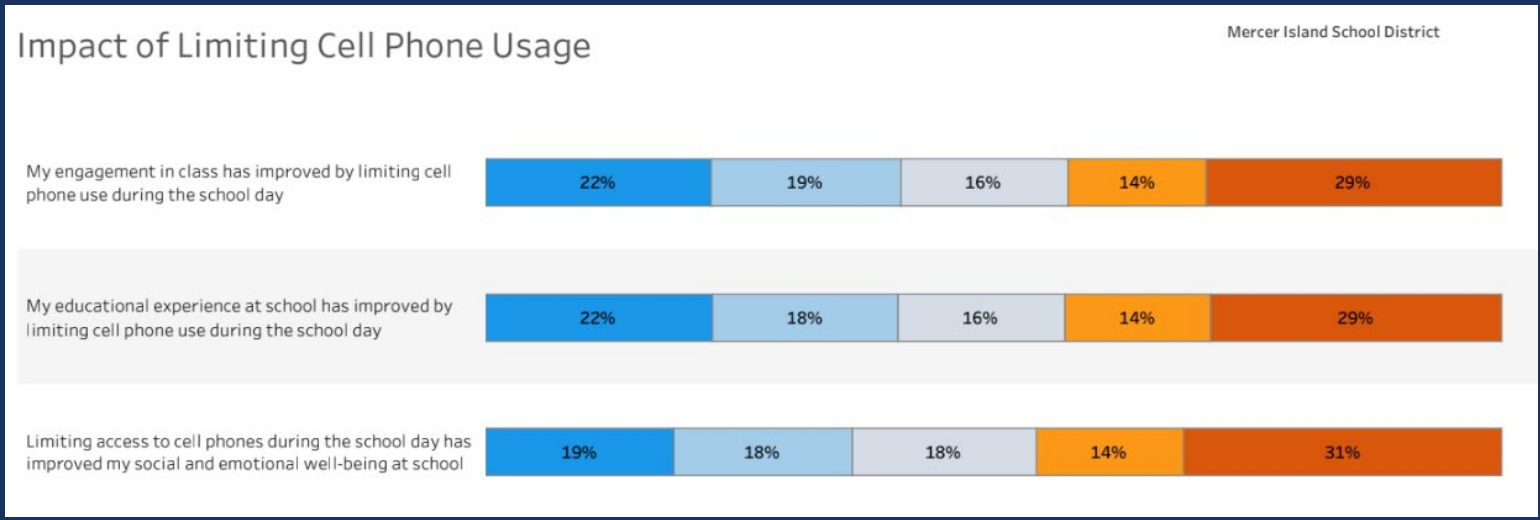
Student social-emotional well-being has improved by limiting access to cell phone use during the school day





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Students- 2025



Healthy Youth Survey Data Growing Concerns in 2023



- MISD Students report often or very often losing motivation because of social media or the internet:
 - 8th grade - 10%
 - 10th grade - 28%
 - 12th grade - 30%

- Be Here
 - Be Now
 - Go YONDR



YONDR

- Recommit and Stay the Course
- A Note About Compliance
- Pouch is a symbol of something so much bigger than a phone locking device
- NOT about phones
- Phone free is a commitment to
 - Student-wellbeing
 - School climate and culture
 - Teaching and learning
 - Safety



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