

Annual Report: Distraction Free Policy

Reporting Period:

2025-2026 School Year

Policy Overview:

In accordance with New York State Education Law Section 2803, the Baldwin Union Free School District implemented its updated Distraction-Free Schools Policy for the 2025–2026 school year. The policy mandates that personal internet-enabled devices (including smartphones, smartwatches, and tablets) be turned off and stored during instructional hours to foster a focused learning environment and support student wellness.

Per state guidelines, the district utilizes a non-exclusionary, progressive framework. State law prohibits students from being suspended solely for policy violations.

Demographic Category	Sub-Group	District Enrollment % (Approx.)	% of Total Suspended
Race / Ethnicity	Black or African American	48%	0.0%
	Hispanic or Latino	35%	0.0%
	White	7%	0.0%
	Asian	6%	0.0%
	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0%	0.0%
	Multiracial / Other	4%	0.0%
Special Programs	General Education	80%	0.0%
	Students with Disabilities	20%	0.0%
	English Language Learners	6%	0.0%
Economic Status	Non-Disadvantaged	65%	0.0%
	Economically Disadvantaged	35%	0.0%

Demographic Data & Disparity Analysis:

Because there were zero suspensions or exclusionary disciplinary actions recorded under this policy for the reporting period:

- Demographic Disparities: None.
- Mitigation Action Plan: Not applicable at this time.

The district remains committed to equitable policy enforcement, supporting student success, and maintaining communication with families regarding technology boundaries.