



Distraction-Free Schools Policy Enforcement Report 2025-2026 School Year

Introduction

In accordance with state regulations requiring each public school district to publish an annual report on its public website detailing the enforcement of its distraction-free schools' policy during the prior school year, the Syosset Central School District has established this integrated implementation and evaluation framework. Under [Board of Education Policy 4526 \(Acceptable Use Policy\)](#) and the district's "Bell-to-Bell Ban" protocol, the use of personal internet-enabled devices, including smartphones, tablets, smartwatches, or other portable electronic devices capable of connecting to the internet and accessing social media is strictly prohibited for students during the school day anywhere on school grounds, encompassing all instructional and non-instructional times such as homeroom, lunch, recess, study halls, and passing times.

Consistent with the State requirements, the district will compile and publish non-identifiable demographic data regarding students who faced progressive disciplinary actions for noncompliance.

Device Storage Requirements by Grade Band

To ensure developmentally appropriate transitions and consistent enforcement, personal device storage rules are structured by grade level as follows:

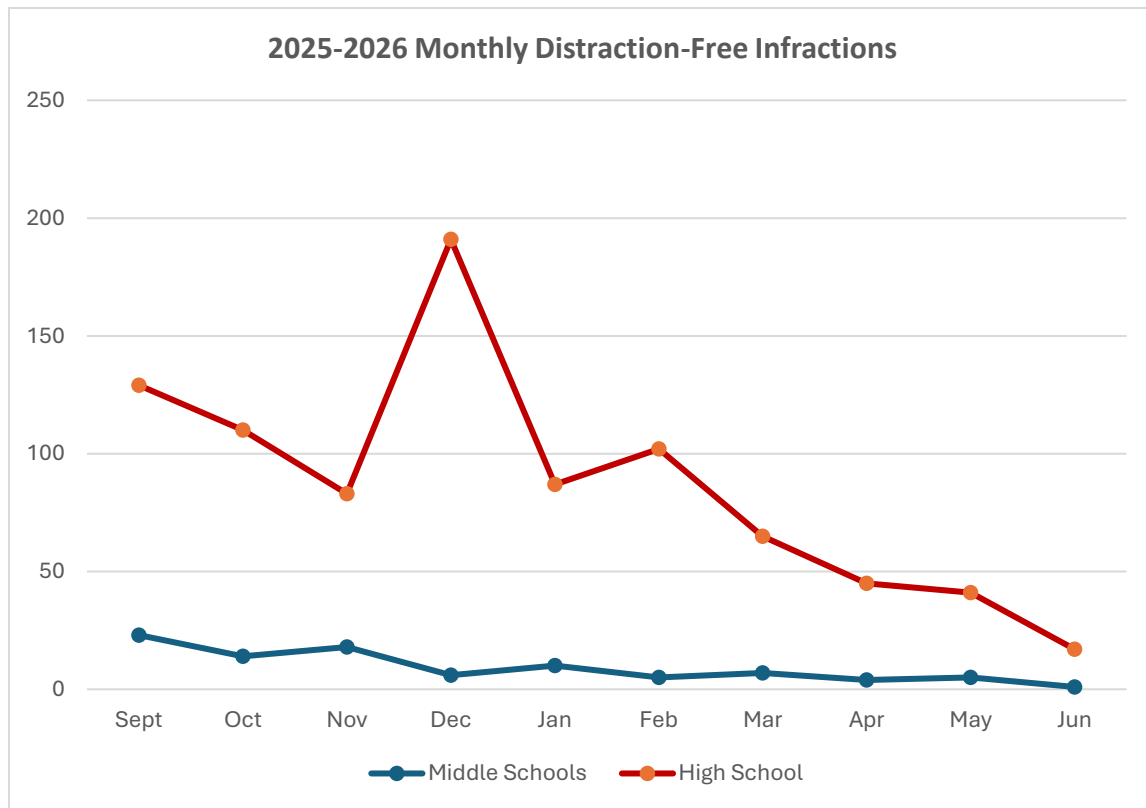
1. **Elementary Schools:** Students are discouraged from bringing personal internet-enabled devices. Any device that is brought to school must be turned off or silenced and kept in the classroom in the specific storage location designated by the teacher.
2. **Middle School:** Students are discouraged from bringing personal internet-enabled devices. Any device brought to school must be silenced and stored securely in the student's locker until student dismissal at the end of the school day.
3. **High School:** Personal internet-enabled devices must be silenced and stored in student lockers for the duration of the school day, commencing from the opening bell of the first period until the final student dismissal at the end of the ninth period.

Building-Level Data

School	Total Enrollment	Infractions	Infractions (Unique Student)	% Infractions	% infractions (Unique Students)
HBT	939	46	46	4.90%	4.90%
SWMS	804	46	40	5.72%	4.98%
SHS	2531	880	553	34.77%	21.85%
Total Enrollment	4274	972	639	22.74%	14.95%

During the 2025-2026 school year, Syosset CSD recorded 972 total infractions composed of 639 unique students indicating that 15% of the total secondary student population had violated the distraction-free policy. The high school accounted for 90.5% of the total infractions while the middle schools accounted for 9.5% of the total infractions. At the high school 553 students, or 21.85% of the student body, accounted for the 880 infractions. At the middle schools, 86 students, or 9.96% of the total student body, accounted for the 92 infractions across the middle schools.

Monthly Distraction-Free Infractions



The chart trends lower indicating that both the high school and middle school students became increasingly more compliant with the distraction-free policy as the school year progressed.

Non-identifiable Demographic Data

Demographic	2025-2026 Enrollment	Unique Student Infractions	% of Total School Enrollment	% of Unique Student Infractions	Infraction Rate
Female	2003	196	47.40%	30.80%	0.65
Male	2022	440	47.90%	69.20%	1.45
Students with Disabilities	442	77	10.50%	12.10%	1.16
English Language Learners (ELL)	95	8	2.20%	1.30%	0.56
White	1643	344	38.90%	54.10%	1.39
Black/African American	16	2	0.40%	0.30%	0.83
Hispanic/Latino	196	43	4.60%	6.80%	1.46
Asian	2245	234	53.10%	36.80%	0.69
Multiracial	117	13	2.80%	2.00%	0.74
American Indian/Alaska Native	3	0	0.10%	0.00%	0
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	4	0	0.10%	0.00%	0
Economically Disadvantaged	708	92	16.80%	14.50%	0.86
Totals	4224	636	-	-	-

2026-2027 Mitigation Plan

There was a total of 553 high school students who made up the 880 infractions that occurred across the 2025-2026 school year. The data indicates that there were 327 repeat infractions during the 2025-2026 school year. To mitigate repeat infractions for the upcoming 2026-2027 school year the high school will take the action steps outlined below:

Area of Concern	Action Steps
High School Repeat Offenders	Annual parent email reminding families of the district's distraction-free policy
	Annual review of the distraction-free policy with students, faculty and staff
	Administrative intervention when required
	Parental Conferences when necessary to strengthen home to school partnership