



Connecticut State Department of Education

Nationwide School Cell Phone Bans

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Key Point: 25 states have K-12 statewide bell-to-bell bans or are currently debating them in session

Statewide K-12 Bell-to-Bell Ban (banned during the entire school day) Total: 19	Statewide K-12 Instructional Ban (banned during class time) Total: 8	Statewide K-12 Bell-to-Bell Ban Currently Proposed Total: 4
Alabama	Indiana**	Kansas**
Arkansas	Iowa	Massachusetts**
Florida*	Kentucky	Pennsylvania**
Georgia*	Michigan	Wisconsin**
Louisiana	North Carolina	
Missouri	Tennessee	
Nebraska	Utah**	
New Hampshire	West Virginia	
New Jersey		
New York		
North Dakota		
Ohio		
Oklahoma		
Oregon		
Rhode Island		
South Carolina		
Texas		
Vermont		
Virginia		

*Bell-to-bell ban for K-8; both states currently have bills to expand the ban to high school

**Bill requiring statewide K-12 bell-to-bell ban advancing