

# Leave the electronic devices at home



## For

Students at Canyon View aren't allowed to use electronic devices in class. The students use them anyways which distracts the teacher from teaching the class. I think that we should be able to use them in class. Some things that we could use them for are research, reading, and constructive free time.

First, research is an important part of education, and research in the classroom is a lot easier than going to the computer lab. Plus most of the students have devices to do research with. This could free up the labs for other projects. Students could also find answers and extra information about the topic that is being studied right in class because they probably are not going to take the time to do it at home.

Most teachers allow free reading time when students are done with their assignments. Students who do not pack their books with them to every class have to find something else to do. But if devices were allowed in class, students could get their book on their own I-devices, Kindles, and phones. This is easier and less distracting than the paper books.

Finally, students could use their devices for constructive free time. There are so many educational apps, and sites that students could access right in the classroom. The teacher could tell students specific sites or apps students are allowed to use in class when they are done with their assignments. So students would be gaining more knowledge about the unit they are studying.

In conclusion, those who think that devices distract students from learning, think again. It is pretty obvious that allowing electronic devices in class will allow students to do more and learn more.

## Against

Many kids are pulling out their phones and I-pods during class, and the rule is that there are no electronics except for in the library on a reading device. Some kids might think that it's a good idea to have a rule change saying that having their electronics will help them to learn more. But I believe they shouldn't be allowed because there will be a lot of texting, they could get broken, and many inappropriate materials could be accessed.

Allowing electronics would pretty much be the same as allowing texting in school. There are already students who are texting while the teacher is teaching. This would just make the problem worse. The teachers would spend more time walking around figuring out what students are doing on their electronics than they would be helping students and teaching.

Having electronic devices at school increases the chance of them being broken or stolen. Students are at school to learn. It is unfair to take up teachers' and principals' time looking for lost or broken devices.

The main reason Canyon View should not allow electronics is because some students may look up inappropriate pictures, songs, videos, etc. This is called porn. Students who do this end up having all kinds of other problems later in life. It's safer to not have electronics so students aren't tempted to look at all this inappropriate material.

To summarize, electronics should be kept at home. Texting when the teacher is teaching, broken and lost devices, and accessing inappropriate material are just a few of the many reasons Canyon View has made the right choice. Clearly this rule helps students to stay safe, stay on task, and learn.

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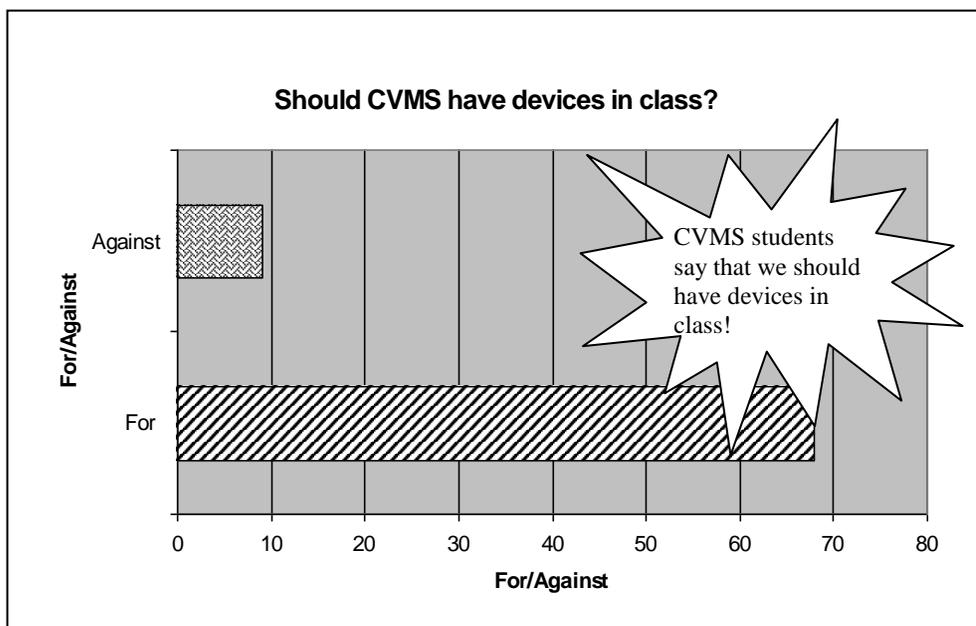
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