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Cell Phone Policy Public Hearing

Monday, July 21, 2025

5:30 p.m. - Gouverneur High School Auditorium

A new law in New York State goes into effect September 2025 and prohibits students from viewing or accessing internet-enabled devices during the school day on school grounds. School districts must adopt a written policy prohibiting student use of these devices and must provide written notification to families of methods available to contact their students during the school day.

As Gouverneur CSD works to determine how these new restrictions will be implemented, we want to hear from the community.

The district encourages members of the community to attend the **Monday, July 21**, Board of Education meeting at **5:30 p.m., at the High School Auditorium** to provide feedback on what must be part of any new policy restricting cell phones in the district.

If you cannot attend the public hearing in person, you can send questions to the District Clerk.

The Board of Education and district leadership are interested in hearing your thoughts, concerns and ideas on how we can successfully implement a policy that will best serve our school communities.

Once a policy is adopted in compliance with the New York State law, we will continue to share information about implementation with the community.

To continue delivering the promise of a brighter future for our students and our community, we believe that distraction-free school environments can provide students with a safe and focused space to learn in without online interruptions.