



# Dixon High School

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## DHS Cellphone Policy Data Analysis

In the 2023-2024 school year Dixon High School instituted a new cellphone policy. In the policy, students were required to put their electronic device into a classroom caddy/holder at the start of the period. Students were required to keep their device in the caddy until their teacher permitted the use of cellphone/devices.

The following is an analysis of referral data for cellphone/electronic devices over the last three years.

- In the **2021-2022\* school year**, cellphones accounted for 10% of all referrals
  - Hybrid and alternating attendance scheduling due to the pandemic
  - 178 total infractions
    - Class of 2023: 31 infractions (3<sup>rd</sup> highest infraction of class)
    - Class of 2024: 60 infractions (2<sup>nd</sup> highest infraction of class)
    - Class of 2025: 87 infractions (3<sup>rd</sup> highest infraction of class)
- In the **2022-2023 school year**, cellphones accounted for 10% of all referrals
  - 203 total infractions
    - Class of 2024: 33 infractions (3<sup>rd</sup> highest infraction of class)
    - Class of 2025: 60 infractions (4<sup>th</sup> highest infraction of class)
    - Class of 2026: 110 infractions (2<sup>nd</sup> highest infraction of class)
- After instituting the new policy, cellphones accounted for 5% of all referrals in the **2023-2024 school year**
  - 118 total infractions
    - Class of 2025: 26 infractions (5<sup>th</sup> highest infraction of class)
    - Class of 2026: 28 infractions (8<sup>th</sup> highest infraction of class)
    - Class of 2027: 64 infractions (4<sup>th</sup> highest infraction of class)

In summary, the implementation of the new policy saw a 50% decrease in cellphone/electronic device referrals in the first year of its implementation dropping from the 2<sup>nd</sup> (2022-2023) and 3<sup>rd</sup> (2021-2022) highest infractions to the 4<sup>th</sup> highest in 2023-2024.