

# ***The American Reformation Forum – TARF***

**Promoting Viable Social and Economic Solutions  
for the Common Good of Our Citizens  
Common Sense 2025**

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***To Show Our Students We Love Them,  
We Will Prohibit All Phones by 3-3-25...***

**Keep Cell Phones Home After  
St. Valentine's Day 2-14-2025**

**A TARF USA and Global Solution**

Ending the Decades of Covert Legislative War Between  
Public Schools in America and Around the World  
and the **Cell and Internet Click Industries (CICI)**

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## **Introducing The TARF Problem-Solving Legislative Movement**

To start something new is beginning a new chapter in history. It picks its own date and method of entering the Public's awareness. This is Common Sense 2025. The TARF is all about confronting our Social and Economic struggles and providing solutions that serve the Common Good.

The patriotic mission of The American Reformation Forum (TARF) is to develop and present viable solutions to the Common Problems of our fellow American citizens. Solutions developed and refined via public conversations to be acceptable to 65% or more of our citizens. And they are! TARF has over 40 such legislative proposals.

Not the typical politically biased solutions offered by Democrat or Republican Parties. Or the solutions they do not even propose to solve our problems. Why not? Because they are allegedly working on something more important. Or because their Big donors do not want them to change anything related to that issue. The latter point, of donor pressure, comes clearly into play in the

cell phone solution we are about to discuss. That being, the near-term and 100% removal of all cell phones and other communication devices for all public-school buildings. Hopefully as soon as February 14<sup>th</sup> St. Valentine's Day. *If you Love your students – Keep the phones home!*

For your information, the second TARF problem-solution to be presented in a few days is our Comprehensive US Immigration Reform Program. Like all my TARF problem-solutions, it will be offered to the Public, both political Parties, and the White House Administration for their use or rejection. And because of the TARF Oversight Procedures, all elected officials will be pressured to explain any rejections to the Public! They will also be asked how they could make it better. The current immigration action by the White House is still being refined but is in no way aimed at ending the out-of-control immigration crisis.

Our plan does and We the People will end it, Now! To continue.

### America is Not Alone in this Cell Phone Chaos

The thing that is different about my first TARF problem solution offering is that it similarly affects school systems in nations all over the world.

Other nations are struggling with implementing such common-sense school cell phone restrictions for the same reasons. Obvious damage it is doing to their educational system, student performance and behavior, and society overall. Valid concerns about the psychological health of teenage students. Many nations including Japan, England, Finland, France, China, Italy, and Portugal have acknowledged that cell phones are constant distractions in classrooms and are hindering student social development. Not all of them have fully removed such devices from school buildings either.

In America and many other nations, it is time for the People to act. Because school systems and politicians will never pass this.

That is why I am gladly offering this Common Solution to any nation that wants to join us. It is a small world after all! While my words will focus on America, this message is forwarded to all nations.

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## **Removing Cell Phones and Other Communication Devices**

Let us bluntly confront and immediately resolve the long-drawn-out cell phone crisis in America's Public School (PS) system. We must acknowledge, this to be an active educational crisis in all active 50 States, and DC!

The first Cell related court case was filed in 2005! And even after 20 years of countless thousands of "studies" by individual schools, counties/boroughs/parishes, state, and federal levels – the students' favorite toys are still in the school buildings.

This very solvable education problem hurts too many of Maryland's 900,000 and America's other 49.0 million Public school students. It also happens to upset their voting parents, grandparents, etc. Therefore, we demand a prudent and practical solution, NOW!

### Drawing Practical Lines Against Excessive Technology

Cell phones entered the Public schools when they were ONLY phones. Not even texting was available. Thus, from an educational perspective, the bad seed was planted. Because cell phones then kept getting smarter. As a result, their student distraction impact grew year-to-year. Granted that for a while smart phones were a help in some classes for doing research activities on the Internet. However, schools now have PC's, etc., available for any such classroom needs.

To be clear, phones were never on a student school supply list.

In recent years, even without the Covid19 crisis impacting schools, cell phones have become a constant negative force against the learning environment and student social development.

School Administrators are obviously not going to put an end to the madness, because of a few whining parents. They need more guts!

And elected officials at all levels of government will not take phones out of Public schools because of the aggressive social media lobbying by the Cell and Internet Click Industries (CICI). Does that surprise you?

We will break their strangle hold grip on cell phone policy in America's Public schools, NOW!

This is the bottom line, folks. Allowing too much technology into the Public school experience has proven itself to be absolutely counterproductive to both the learning environment and student social development.

Therefore, parents and grandparents must take charge and, "Keep the Phones Home" after 2-14-25.

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### The Call for TARF Civil Action – The St. Valentine’s Day Plan

It is down us, folks. As the old expression goes, if you want something done right, you will have to do it yourself. We the People will now act together for the Common Good.

So, what will we do to abruptly end this long-standing educational nightmare?

We will embrace and carry out peaceful public civil action. A prudent and practical solution that parents and grandparents can make happen on their own. What a concept! It does not require any action by Local, State or Federal lawmakers. Because they haven’t and won’t touch it anyway. And the Public schools do not need 6 to 12 months to figure it out, either.

Thus, I am making the following challenge to all American families with school age children. And to families in nations all over the World.

No later than Friday February 14<sup>th</sup> students will be told, by their parents, not to take their cell phones, etc., to school anymore. Yes, just a couple weeks from now. Think of it as educational *Shock and Awe!* Yes, on St. Valentines Day! Show your kids you love them by telling them to “Leave your phones home”. To be clear. Don’t ask them. Tell them!

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Of course, not all nations celebrate St. Valentine’s Day on February 14<sup>th</sup> or some other day. So, this one time the World can declare this February 14<sup>th</sup> as a global St. Valentine’s Day. Every nation please join in. It will be a great time globally!!

Getting the news of this civil action out in the news in just 2 weeks is a challenge.

Thus, while I announce this with the desirable date of February 14<sup>th</sup>, I fully expect a delayed reaction in many areas. Very natural reaction by the Public. So, We will keep on this National Cell Phones Home program going and could have the whole country on the program by February 28<sup>th</sup>. We can do this people!

We the People can make this happen and no one can stop us.

Let’s Just Do it!! Parents and Grandparents network anywhere. Across the country and around the World.

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Believe it or not, it can be that simple! Parents need to just say, No!

School administrators will never end it, and elected politicians are paid to ignore it.

It can be as straightforward and as simple as that! An improved classroom and whole school environment for those 49.9 million American public-school students.

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### A Few Random Notes

Not that we really need any reminders of why this is necessary, but here are a few for consideration.

1. Confronting students “near addiction” to their cell phones, especially girls. Removing the phones from their hands for some 6+ hours, Monday thru Friday every school week.
  - a. It is like a teenager learning to drive while holding their phone in one hand.
2. No more bullying messages – sent or received! Such messages make day-to-day living in school a scary experience for students being harassed in that manner. I believe such messages are a major contributor to the horrifically high absenteeism in schools in recent years.
3. The various medications that students are on because of the on-going hurtful and stressful school environment. It must stop. Of course, the Pharmaceutical industry just loves it.
4. Another thing that is killing the teaching environment. I was talking with a local 11<sup>th</sup> grader about cell phone usage in his high school. He told me that in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade he received 20 regular cell phone warnings in writing and 5 major ones. Think of all the wasted time on the part teachers and other administrators tracking this stupidity. Teachers want to teach. Not be Cell phone police!
5. Such comm devices do not belong in elementary schools. And it is generally accepted that students should not have routine access to a smart phone before they complete the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Computers and Cell phones should not be used for childcare purposes. Children need to socialize.

For a personal perspective. I can remember going to school long before cell phones. I went there to learn, to be with my friends, participate in activities, and generally be away from home and my 3 sisters for a while. Not that home was that bad, but it was nice to get away from everything into the closed school environment. Kids today drag all that “outside world” stuff with them and a whole lot more. School is supposed to be for learning and social development.

A cell phone in a public school can be only one thing to a student’s learning and social development,

### ***an Interruption...***

Yes, our answer is that straightforward and as simple as that! And as we act together there is no way in hell, they can stop us...

An improved classroom and whole school environment for the Maryland’s 900,000 and our nation’s 49.9 million American public-school students.

## Natural Parental Concern and Not So Covert Industry Opposition

### Natural Parental Concern

The only valid concern will come concerned parents asking, “What if there is a crisis at the school? How will I contact my child?”

The simple answer is that they will not be able to communicate with them directly when at school via a cell phone. This is tough love, folks. Things cannot remain the same if we intend to improve the Public School system. And we certainly do.

Also, every teacher will always have a phone with them.

And finally. For any parents complaining about not being able to reach their students anytime they want to. They will be politely called down for being part of the problem and ignored. There is that tough love, again.

## The Covert Cell and Internet Click Industries (CICI) are Not to be Underestimated

For decades certain industry lobbyists have been covertly fighting such restrictions on student use of Cell phones during school hours.

1. The Cell Phone Providers – would try to kill this because it could result in slower sales.
2. The Internet Social Media Corporations– of many types would really try to kill this because it will certainly reduce their Monday thru Friday daytime traffic and countless clicks. Think about it.
3. Internet Businesses – of all types will have “fewer clicks” on weekdays when school is in!

Collectively, they would try to kill or at least delay this anti-Cell phone action. Hence the intentional reason for the short lead time on this civil action! They won’t be able to stop it.

This is Parent civil action is beyond critical in restoring a proper level of peace in the classroom and whole school environment. A Public-school classroom should feel much more like a library, than K-12 daycare... We must get it done now for the kids!

Think of the teachers and school principals that have fought this gross stupidity all these years. They will finally have their classrooms and schools back. Amen...

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In Closing

So, there you are parents and grandparents. This is our common-sense, very near-term solution to a real and worsening problem for our youth and our society.

In the coming weeks, I will push this message out every way that I can. I need your help.

It will be interesting to see how the Press responds to this Public education problem solution.

I will be approaching BBC-Worldwide News with our St. Valentine's Day challenge of broadcasting this positive international public solution.

Parents, teachers, principals, PTOs, and PTAs can use their own networks to promote this civil action nationwide.

Consider, we could then expect that student attitudes and academic performance will improve in the 4<sup>th</sup> term of this school year. You know, progress! And we will have implemented a practical policy that will be "normal" starting the 2025/2026 school year. Real progress!

And in between classes the students could begin talking with each other. What a concept!

So, let's go for it, parents and grandparents. I hope you have found this message encouraging!

Pass this on to family and friends and teachers across the country. And across the World. Do it for the kids...

Please spread the word on this to everyone you know.

Thank you and take care,

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