Discussion Topic

**Should schools allow the use of digital devices in the classroom?**

<https://soeonline.american.edu/blog/cell-phones-in-school>

I believe this to be a credible source because it was published by the school of education. Also, gives numerous reasons for both sides of the argument.

<https://www.theguardian.com/education/2016/may/11/students-who-use-digital-devices-in-class-perform-worse-in-exams>

This study was performed with 726 undergraduate students within 3 groups across 3 years and argues that students who are able to use their personal devices within class tend to perform lower on exams.

<http://teachingcenter.wustl.edu/2015/08/laptop-use-effects-learning-attention/>

Performed study on students in 16 courses across varying disciplines and found that proper utilization of devices in class can actually improve performance.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/tech/columnist/baig/2018/08/14/should-smartphones-allowed-classroom/959154002/>

Gives evidence on cellphone use negatively impacting children in mid-teen years. Speaks on other countries passing laws to ban cellphone use.

<https://www.ed.gov/oii-news/use-technology-teaching-and-learning>

US Department of Education listing online resource for learning. Displaying their support for technology in the class room.

I believe this topic has ample information and arguments for both sides and think this is a very debatable topic for that reason. Also, it directly pertains to us as students in the classroom.