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On Behalf Of:

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My name is Nicole McAtee and I support bill HB2251 to ban cell phone use in schools during instructional hours.

As a parent who has spent a lot of time volunteering in classroom settings, I've seen how phones disrupt learning, distract students, and undermine classroom focus. They're linked to lower academic performance, more social media-driven bullying, and added challenges for teachers trying to maintain a productive environment.

This bill creates a clear, necessary boundary that puts education first. It safeguards learning time and helps students develop healthier tech habits.

For the sake of our students' focus, safety, success and mental health, I urge you to pass this bill.

Thank you.