

Read what one U.S. school district is doing to protect their students.



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Ashland, Massachusetts' School District is the first public school system to limit children's and teacher's exposure to Wi-Fi by issuing precautionary guidelines. Cecelia Doucette, a parent with children in the school system, advocated for this with school administrators and presented the School Board with information about the lack of safety testing on children and Wi-Fi exposure.

After reviewing the facts, the school administration approved the creation of common-sense guidelines, called "Best Practices for Mobile Devices", when using wireless devices in the classrooms. The guidelines are taught to teachers and children and are posted in all classrooms. Following these guidelines will help reduce radiation exposure when using wireless devices.

These "Best Practices" include the following

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## procedures:

- Turn off the device when not in use
- Turn Wi-Fi on only when needed
- Always place the mobile device on a solid surface
- Viewing distance should be a minimum of 12 inches from the screen
- Specific product information guides are available through the IT department
- We ask that staff members regularly remind and instruct students in using best practices in regards to mobile devices

The Center for Safer Wireless advocates for wired classrooms but applauds this first step in acknowledgement of the potential dangers of Wi-Fi in schools. Our country can now add a public school system to the growing list of private schools and other governments that have reduced Wi-Fi exposure in their schools.

We need to implement these precautionary guidelines in every U.S. school that has wireless devices to help protect our most vulnerable citizens, our children, and the people who care for them. This triumph will help all activists nationwide motivate school administrators to do what is most critical for schools; provide a healthy and safe environment for our children to learn in.

Read more about it here.

# **More Results Because of Activists**

Suffolk County in New York voted to label wireless routers in all public buildings including schools.

The US United Federation of Teachers Union now hosts a webpage on how to reduce exposures to protect pregnant women, other staff members and students.

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Consumer Reports - Does Cell-Phone Radiation Cause Cancer? Michael Hansen, Ph.D., a senior scientist at Consumer Reports said, "But we feel that the research does raise enough questions that taking some common-sense precautions when using your cell phone can make sense."

# **Please Consider Signing this Petition**

Petition congress for a Federal law to implement a 1500 ft. setback for cell towers to schools

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