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Why Social Media?

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how to regulate when so much varies by school, teacher, admin, etc.

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You should require students take test to get permission to get device — ethics, privacy, cyber bullying, etc.

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*not appropriate*

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is  
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21<sup>st</sup> century  
tech is  
not needed  
for the  
young  
child  
b/c they  
are needing  
to learn  
basic  
technology.  
We are  
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*No 1:1 Device until 7th grade*  
*Teaching keyboarding in 6th grade*  
*No 1:1 device without a robust keyboard.*

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*Grade level? Consideration?*

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*-define?*  
*} Too broad*

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*New Paragraph*

*This is redundant with the first sentence.*

*Can adults use private communications with students or shouldnt all school-related communications be done through apps, accounts and services?*

*by whom?*

*ITC*



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*This is not happening.  
No monitoring!*

*What the policy needs are guidelines!*

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Why?  
Do you have a similar policy for handson learning?  
happening?  
is this a ~~handson~~ learning?

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How will this be checked on?

Will this include the dangers to the developing brain, personality, steep, mood, eyes of overuse of screen time? The opportunity costs?

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