

From Policy to Practice:

Lessons Learned from Implementing a Cell Phone Policy in Districts

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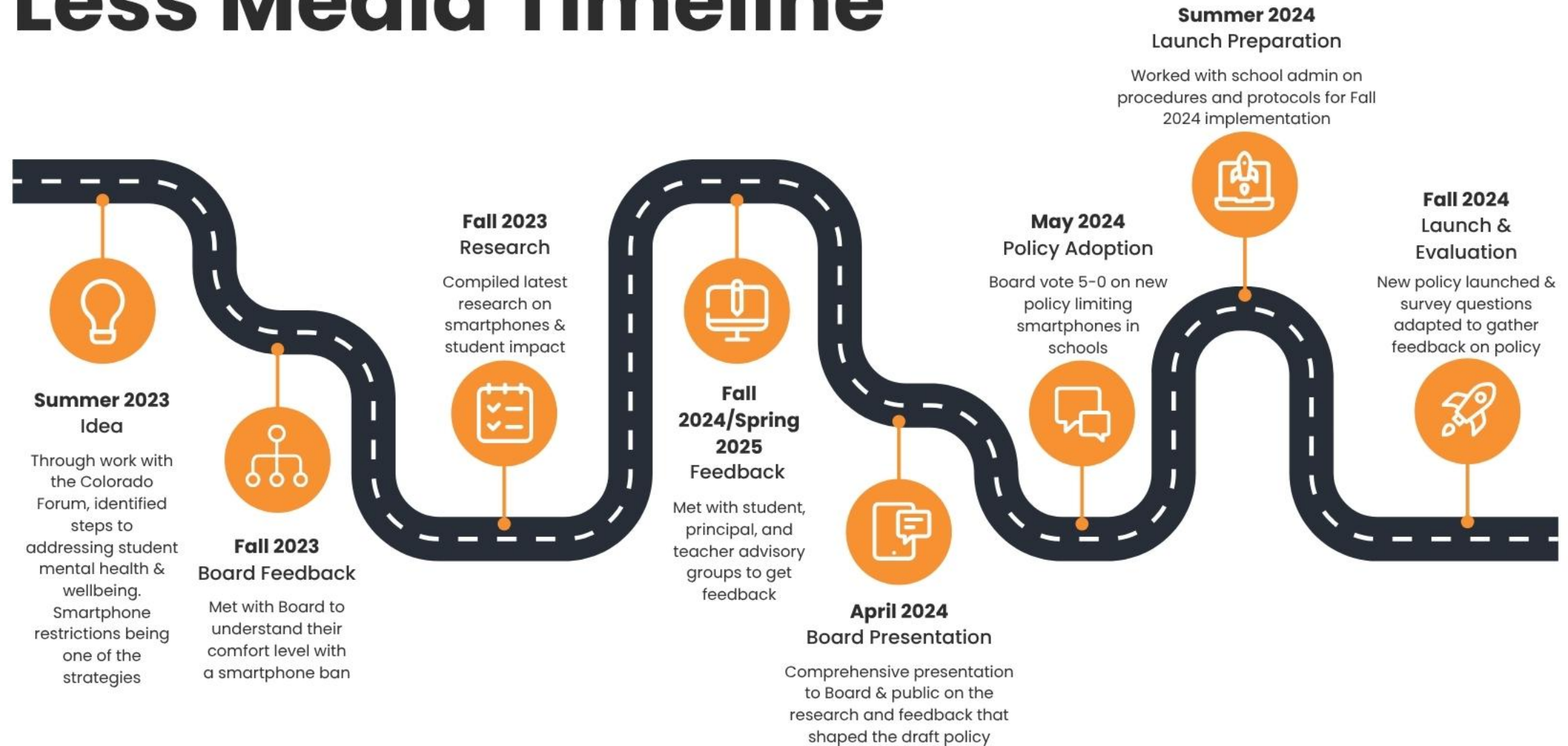


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- By **July 1, 2026**, all school districts must adopt and implement a policy about student communication devices during the school day. The policy **must** describe prohibitions and exceptions around communication **possession** and **use** during the school day.
- The policy **may**:
 - limit device usage during the school day;
 - consider emergencies;
 - delineate based on grade level;
 - allow exceptions for instructional purposes;
 - consider public and staff comment
 - consider training needs
 - take educator/union input into account
 - consider unintended burdens and costs
 - consider evidence-based resources and research about device use;
 - consider applicability to online courses or schools;
 - consider issues related to media literacy and social-emotional learning
- The law does not apply to a district who adopts a policy regarding use and possession of communication devices on or before August 31, 2025.

More Social, Less Media Timeline



Questions?