

Eustis School Department

Stratton School

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Dear Families:

It's hard to believe how fast summer seems to fly by, especially in the month of August. Back to school is knocking on our doors and the teachers and staff are excited to welcome students back!

I wanted to take a few moments to make sure everyone was on the same page. As most people have probably seen in the news, the state of Maine signed a bell to bell personal electronic device law recently and it took effect on August 1, 2026. This does not present huge changes for us within the school, however it does change a few things. The law encompasses the use of other devices including cell phones for students, with that being said, **students are not allowed to use smart watches or bluetooth headphones** either.

It is the expectation that all devices either remain at home or are powered off and remain in backpacks or lockers at all times. Failure to do so, will result in consequences, which may mean that devices remain in the office until you come to pick them up. We appreciate your support with this policy and appreciate your willingness to contact the office if you need to speak to your child or get a message to them.

Please make sure that you are sending in notes for any bussing or pick up changes. You should also call or notify the office if your student will be out for the day. These modes of communication assist in helping us keep your students safe.

Please note the important dates below. Looking forward to a productive and meaningful learning year. As always, please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. My email address is: temery@strattonschool.org or feel free to call the front office at 246-2283.

Yours in education,

Tabitha J. Emery

Principal



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Important upcoming dates:

- Wednesday, August 26th- 1st Student Day
- Monday, August 31st 4:00-5:30- Back to School BBQ
Middle School Parent and Student Meeting (5 pm)

Soccer Parent Meeting Directly Following (5:30 pm)
- Tuesday, September 1-First day of soccer practice
- Friday, September 4th- No School
- Monday, September 7th- No School (Labor Day)
- Wednesday, September 9th-First day of Pre-K