PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Parents,

We will be making our school a phone-free space to improve teaching and learning using a system called <u>Yondr</u>. Yondr has been implemented in over 2,000 schools across 16 countries to facilitate an engaged learning environment.

We believe that phones have great utility. We have also found that learning and social behavior improve drastically when students are fully engaged with their teachers and classmates.

The Yondr Program utilizes a simple, secure pouch that stores a phone. Every student will secure their phone in a personally assigned Yondr pouch when they arrive at school. Students will maintain possession of their phones and will not use them until their pouches are opened at the end of the school day. Students are responsible for their pouch at all times.

Annual surveys including over 1,200 school partners, noting the following after implementing the Yondr Education Program:

- 84% saw a change in student engagement
- 72% saw a positive change in student behavior
- 68% saw a positive change in academic performance

Yondr's most recent impact survey of over 370 school partners noted:

86% saw a positive impact in student safety and wellness

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school directly at (530)243-1880, or review our information about the adoption of Yondr on the Pioneer Continuation High School Website at https://www.pioneerhs.net/.

If there is an emergency and you would like to get in contact with your child, please reach out to attendance at (530) 243-1880.

In an effort to best serve your child, we appreciate your full support in adoption of the Yondr Program at our school.

Thank you,

Jonathan Eaton
Assistant Principal
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