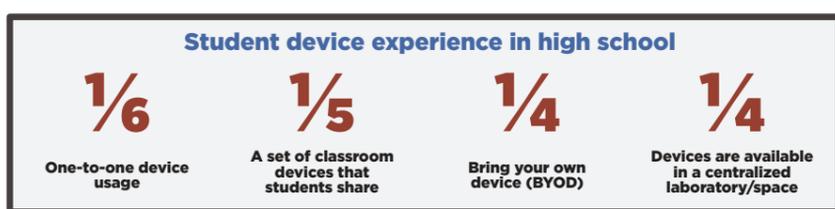


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student devices & faculty policies

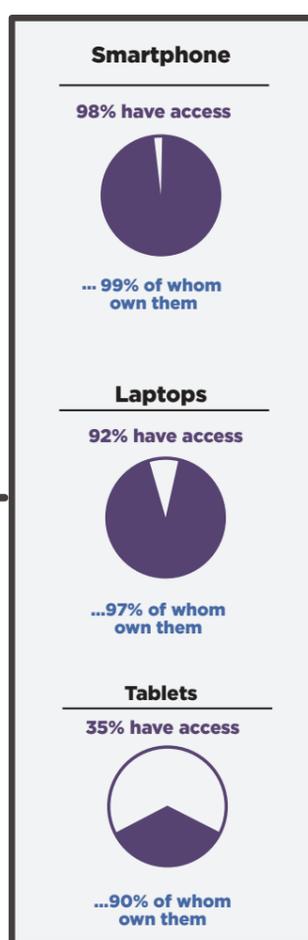
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Most incoming college students have had experience using technology devices in high school.



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Most students come to campus owning the workhorse devices to which they have access.



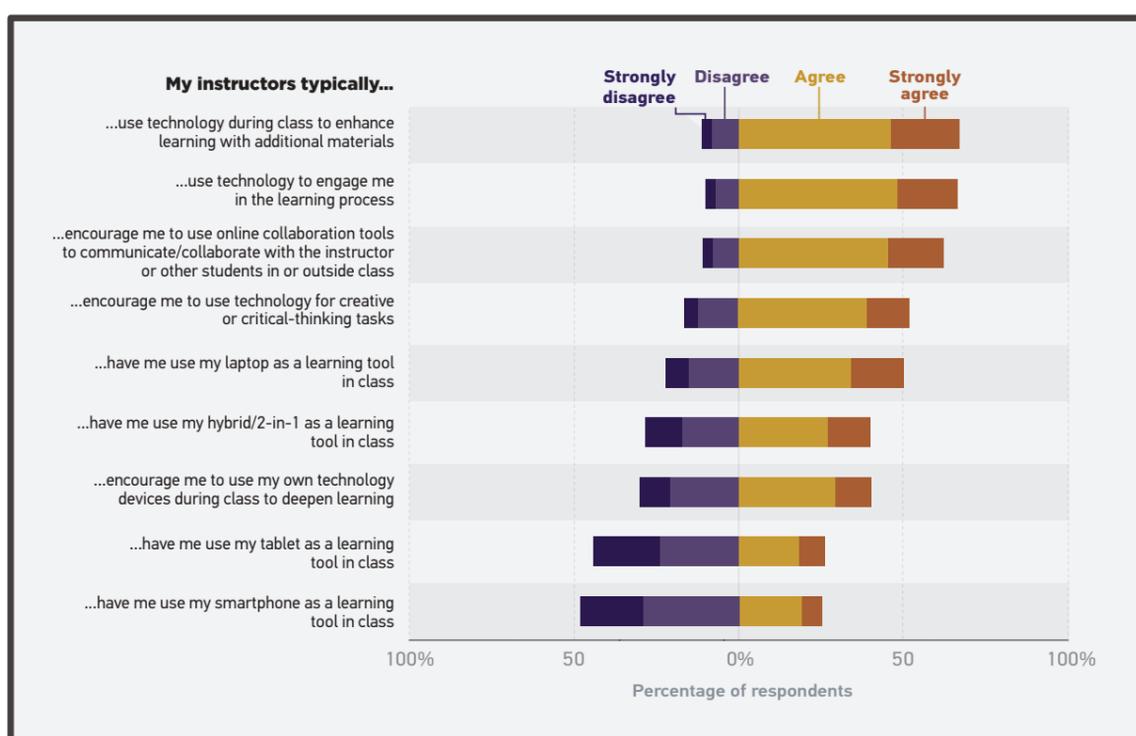
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And a majority of students with access use these devices for their coursework and consider them important to their academic success.

	Used in at least one course	Were at least moderately important to academic success
Smartphones	89%	82%
Laptops	99%	99%
Tablets	59%	73%

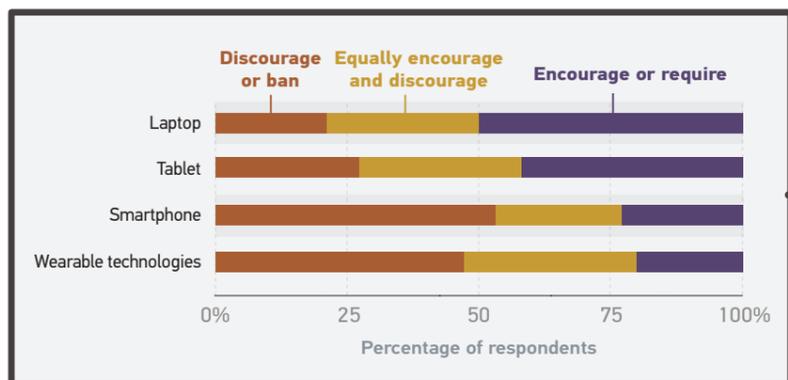
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Students say that their instructors use technology in the classroom and encourage them to do so...as long as it's not their own.



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Indeed, not only do fewer than half of faculty encourage or require students to use their own technology in class, a considerable percentage of faculty ban or discourage personal devices in the classroom.



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But, faculty who engaged in professional development around the integrated use of technology in the classroom are significantly less likely to ban or discourage student technologies from the classroom.

Device	With integrating technology PD ban or discourage	Without integrating technology PD ban or discourage
Laptop	18%	27%
Tablet	23%	34%
Smartphone	49%	63%

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So, faculty can learn to integrate technology into the classroom by engaging in professional development. What other arguments can be made to persuade faculty to change their policies regarding student use of technologies in their courses? We recommend listening to the voices of students who...

Have a disability

“ If students with learning disabilities are the only ones allowed to have a computer, then it makes it clear to the rest of the class that they are different. Teachers need to allow technology for all students, regardless of their personal beliefs about how students should be learning. ”

Have work demands and family responsibilities

“ Allow a week to work ahead in online classes. I have a couple of classes now that the instructor doesn't allow us to see the coursework for the week until Monday but it is due Tuesday by 8 p.m. I have a full-time job, child, and other requirements. This makes it difficult. ”

Are trying to do the right thing

“ Many instructors oppose using laptops in class. This is very troublesome for me because most of my textbooks are digital. They effectively prohibit me from using my textbook in class. ”