

NYC's Generative-AI Moratorium — New York City Restricts Student AI Use From Pre-K Through Grade 8

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Quality score: 53/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

New York City barred student-facing generative AI for ~600,000 students in grades 2-K–8, capped screen time, and limited high-school AI pilots to 50,000 students — the broadest U.S. school AI restriction, with carve-outs for assistive tech and multilingual learners.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	0/3
Equity & inclusion	2/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	3/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	0/3
Scalability & sustainability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[NYC Mayor's Office & New York City Department of Education](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[NYC Mayor's Office announcement](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[The Hill coverage](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[amNewYork coverage](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

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