

Springfield's Alpha-Model AI Classroom Pilot — A Cautionary Launch at Kiley Prep

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Quality score: 20/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

A Springfield, Massachusetts middle school piloted an AI-driven classroom modeled on the for-profit Alpha School, keeping a veteran teacher on-site — but the teachers' union issued a cease-and-desist over rushed vetting, data-privacy gaps and unproven efficacy claims.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	0/3
Equity & inclusion	1/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	0/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	1/3
Scalability & sustainability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-30

[Springfield Empowerment Zone Partnership](#) — accessed 2026-08-30

[WBUR](#) — accessed 2026-08-30

[Western Mass News](#) — accessed 2026-08-30

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