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LAWMAKERS WANT CLASSROOMS ON MUTE

Three Pennsylvania State Senators plan to introduce a bill that would ban phone use during the school day to improve student mental health and academic focus. Citing research linking early smartphone access to issues like aggression and emotional instability, they argue that constant device use disrupts learning and classroom order. The bill would allow exceptions for students with medical needs or individualized education plans. If passed, Pennsylvania would join over two dozen states with similar restrictions. The proposal follows recent local moves, including new phone bans in the Carlisle and Harrisburg school districts.

THANK YOU

Greenlee Partners is honored to be recognized by the PA Chamber of Business and Industry for naming us a Greatest Place to Intern in 2025. With a long history of semester-long internships, we work tirelessly to help place our interns into full-time employment and to teach them an in-depth understanding of Pennsylvania politics. Cheers to many more years and thank you to all Greenlee interns!

MICK'S IS OPEN

A long-awaited sports pub in Dauphin County has officially opened its doors! Mick's All American Pub is now serving guests at its new location, 4351 Garrison Avenue at Susquehanna Union Green. This is the fifth Mick's location in Central PA, with other pubs located in Lebanon, Lititz, Willow Street, and Mount Joy. If you're looking for a family-friendly spot to catch a game, grab a bite, and enjoy some good company, stop on by!

MAGA MATCHUP

Paul Dans, the architect of the controversial Project 2025, is preparing to take on U.S. Senator **Lindsey Graham** in South Carolina's Republican primary. Launching his campaign at a Charleston prayer breakfast, Dans slammed Graham as a "childless warmonger" and a relic of the pre-MAGA Republican Party. He accused Graham of being inconsistent in his loyalty to Trump and too friendly with Democratic judicial picks. A former Trump official and Heritage Foundation strategist, Dans argues his role in shaping

PACA YOUR STRESS AND GO

Shear Heaven Farm in York County is offering guided alpaca tours twice a week, inviting visitors to feed, hug, and unwind with a herd of nearly 40 quirky alpacas. Founded in 2017 by **Carey DuRand**, the farm has grown into a peaceful retreat for families and a training ground for local 4-H club members. Along with animal therapy, guests can buy handmade alpaca goods like yarn, soaps, and dryer balls. Whether you're feeding phalange-footed fluffballs or petting the farm cat, the farm promises a hands-on dose of joy by appointment only.



Happy Birthday

- State Senator **Patty Kim**
- Former State Representative **Wendy Ullman**
- **Al Schmidt**, Secretary of the Commonwealth
- **David E. Black**
- **Hank Butler**, Executive Director, PA Jewish Coalition
- **Kristin Crawford**, Senior Consultant, Health Management Associates



Committee Meetings

- (H) Democratic Policy – 10:00AM - Growing local economies with Revitalization & Improvement Zones.
- (H) Republican Policy – 11:00AM - Public hearing on Child Care: Challenges and Solutions.



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