

Trouble with phones

In today's society, many adults and students consider cellphones to be their most prized possession. It often takes priority over having face-to-face conversations with friends and family, and causes people to miss the things going on around them.

Texting, Facetime, social media, and many other smart phone programs are causing people to care more about what's going on where they're not instead of enjoying where they are. Texting other people or checking Instagram and Snapchat has become more important than talking to friends. Being on the phone causes people to miss a lot of what is happening around them, and that is something that you can't get back.

Cellphones have also hurt this generation's ability to have conversations with adults. Many teenagers fear talking to an adult in person because of how popular texting has become. Students text for convenience because it is quick and easy. However, when the phone is put away, actual conversations prove to be very difficult. Communication skills are very important in life, and the only way they will get better is to put the phone down and have a real conversation.

Being on the phone all the time is also rude. It portrays the image that people care more about what is happening on the tiny rectangular screen than what the people around them have to say. The whole point of being around other people is to have conversations with them, not be on the phone.

Many people say that they are always on their phone because they need to know what's going on and stay informed. However, text messages and Tweets aren't going anywhere. The only thing that might be missed is the conversation happening right in front of you.

No one is going to look back on his life and wish that he would have spent more time with his phone. Put the phone down and talk to the people you're with. It will be much more rewarding.