Apple Distinguished Schools

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2025-2026 Research Snapshot Study

A global research study, with Apple Distinguished Schools, exploring how 1-to-1 technology impacts teaching and learning.

Theme

Preparing Future-Ready Students Today Through Sustainable Academic Impact.

Topics

Teaching and learning practices, teacher beliefs, student engagement, screen time, and Al.

Context

Now in it's 4th year, the Apple Distinguished Schools Research Snapshot Study, conducted by Dr. Damian Bebell, Research Professor at Boston College, and funded by Apple, Inc., builds on insights from more than 17,000 teachers across 300 schools in 31 countries. The study aims to deepen our understanding of how educational technology supports student learning, innovation, and sustainability in Apple Distinguished Schools.

Participation

When?

November 5 through March 13, 2026. Schools may complete the snapshot study anytime during this time.

Whv?

- Gain valuable, data-driven insights about your school's teaching and technology practices
- Strengthen the collective impact of the Apple Distinguished School community worldwide.

How?

Register your school to Opt-In to receive the link to the Snapshot Study.

Who?

All classroom teachers. Schedule 10–15 minutes for your teachers to complete the survey. Best to give time in faculty meeting to complete.

Value

Customized Executive Summary

Each school will receive an executive summary customized to reflect its unique data. This summary serves as a valuable tool for guiding conversations around areas of celebration and opportunities for growth. Schools will receive their Executive Summary on March 27, 2026.

Access to Global Data Dashboard

Access to a Global Data Dashboard for exploring your school and study-wide results to inform local planning and reflection. This allows your school to see how they compare to other Apple Distinguished Schools from around the world. Schools will be provided access to the Global Data Dashboard on March 27, 2026.



The study is anonymous, collecting no names, emails, or identifying information. An independent Institutional Review Board approves and oversees it.



No cost to participate in the Snapshot Study. Participation is completely voluntary and part of the value of the Apple Distinguished Schools community.



To participate in the ADS Research Snapshot Study, your school must Opt-In to receive the survey link. Use the QR code to Opt-In.

