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1. Boston and New York City pursue sharply different K-12 AI policies

Published Oct. 2, 2026; Boston is pursuing AI-literacy instruction, including a $1 million public-private partnership to develop a grades 7-12 curriculum, while New York City announced a one-year moratorium on student-facing generative AI for preschool through eighth grade. NYC also said it would disable AI in 38 existing educational products; both cities describe AI instruction for older students, with different approaches and limits.

Why it matters: The comparison shows that district choices extend beyond a simple ban-or-adopt decision to grade bands, supervision, product settings and curriculum. Leaders should distinguish announced plans and pilots from established outcomes when weighing models.

Limits: The article describes announced approaches and pilots, not evidence that either policy has improved student outcomes.

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