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TOPIC -----

Is there a way to prevent students and other users from starting their A/UX systems from a floppy?

DISCUSSION -----

There's no way to achieve that level of security, given the way the Macintosh OS works on a normal Macintosh. Beyond locking up the physical computer, there is no way to prevent people from turning their systems off and restarting from a floppy.

One potential workaround would be to unplug the floppy-drive cable from the logic board. This wouldn't stop someone who knew what to look for, but it would get in the way of the less knowledgeable.

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