

## STUDENT USE OF TECHNOLOGY

The principal or designee shall oversee the maintenance of each school's technological resources and may establish guidelines and limits on their use. All instructional staff shall receive a copy of this administrative regulation, the accompanying Board policy, and the District's Acceptable Use Agreement describing expectations for appropriate use of the system and shall also be provided with information about the role of staff in supervising student use of technological resources. All students using these resources shall receive instruction in their proper and appropriate use.

- (cf. [0440](#) - District Technology Plan)
- (cf. [4040](#) - Employee Use of Technology)
- (cf. [4131](#) - Staff Development)
- (cf. [4231](#) - Staff Development)
- (cf. [4331](#) - Staff Development)

Teachers, administrators, and/or library media specialists shall prescreen technological resources and online sites that will be used for instructional purposes to ensure that they are appropriate for the intended purpose and the age of the students.

- (cf. [6163.1](#) - Library Media Centers)

### **On-Line/Internet Services: User Obligations and Responsibilities**

Students are authorized to use District equipment to access the Internet or on-line services in accordance with user obligations and responsibilities specified below and in accordance with Governing Board policy and the District's Acceptable Use Agreement.

1. The student, in whose name an on-line services account is issued, is responsible for its proper use at all times. Students shall keep personal account numbers, home addresses and telephone numbers private. They shall use the system only under their own account number.
2. Students shall use the District's system responsibly and primarily for educational purposes.
3. Students shall not access, post, submit, publish or display harmful or inappropriate matter that is threatening, obscene, disruptive or sexually explicit, or that could be construed as harassment or disparagement of others based on their race/ethnicity, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion or political beliefs.

- (cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
- (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)
- (cf. 5145.9 - Hate-Motivated Behavior)

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Harmful matter includes matter, taken as a whole, which to the average person, applying contemporary statewide standards, appeals to the prurient interest and is matter which depicts or describes in a patently offensive way sexual conduct and which lacks serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value for minors. (Penal Code 313)

4. Unless otherwise instructed by school personnel, students shall not disclose, use or disseminate personal identification information about themselves or others when using electronic mail, chat rooms, or other forms of direct electronic communication. Students are also cautioned not to disclose such information by other means to individuals located through the Internet without the permission of their parents/guardians.

Personal information includes the student's name, address, telephone number, Social Security number, or other individually identifiable information.

5. Students shall not use the system to encourage the use of drugs, alcohol or tobacco, nor shall they promote unethical practices or any activity prohibited bylaw, Board policy or administrative regulation.

(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)

6. Students shall not use the system to engage in commercial or other for-profit activities.
7. Students shall not use the system to threaten, intimidate, harass, or ridicule other students or staff.

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

8. Copyrighted material shall not be placed on the system without the author's permission. Students shall not violate copyright laws or plagiarize documents. Any materials utilized for research projects should be given proper credit as with any other hard copy source of information.

(cf. 6162.6 - Use of Copyrighted Materials)

9. Students shall not intentionally upload, download or create computer viruses and/or maliciously attempt to harm or destroy District equipment or materials or manipulate the data of any other user, including so-called "hacking."

(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism, Theft and Graffiti)

10. Students shall not attempt to interfere with other users' ability to send or receive email, nor shall they attempt to delete, copy, modify or forge other users' mail or files..
11. Students shall report any security problem or misuse of the services to the teacher or principal.

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The District reserves the right to monitor any on-line communications for improper use. without advance notice or consent. Students shall be informed that computer files and electronic communications, including email, are not private and may be accessed by the District for the purpose of ensuring proper use.

(cf. 5145.12 - Search and Seizure)

Whenever a student is found to have violated Board policy, administrative regulation, or the District's Acceptable Use Agreement, the principal or designee may cancel or limit a student's user privileges or increase supervision of the student's use of the District's technological resources, as appropriate. Inappropriate use also may result in disciplinary action and/or legal action in accordance with law and Board policy.

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))

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