

Book Policy Manual

Section 7000 Property

Title STUDENT TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE AND SAFETY

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## 7540.03 - STUDENT TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE AND SAFETY

The School Corporation provides students with access to the Internet for limited educational purposes only and utilizes online educational services/apps to enhance the instruction delivered to its students. The School Corporation's computer network and Internet system do not serve as a public access service or a public forum, and the School Corporation imposes reasonable restrictions on its use consistent with its limited educational purpose.

The School Corporation regulates the use of Corporation Technology Resources by principles consistent with applicable local, State, and Federal laws, the Corporation's educational mission, and articulated expectations of student conduct as delineated in the Student Code of Conduct. This policy, its related administrative guidelines and the Student Code of Conduct govern students' use of Corporation Technology Resources and students' personal communication devices when they are connected to the Corporation computer network, Internet connection, and/or online educational services/apps, or when used while the student is on Corporation-owned property or at a Corporation-sponsored activity (see Policy 5136).

Users are prohibited from engaging in actions that are illegal (such as libel, slander, vandalism, harassment, theft, plagiarism, inappropriate access, and the like) or unkind (such as personal attacks, invasion of privacy, injurious comment, and the like) when using Corporation Technology Resources. Because its Technology Resources are not unlimited, the Corporation also has instituted restrictions aimed at preserving these resources, such as placing limits on use of bandwidth, storage space, and printers.

Users have no right or expectation to privacy when using Corporation Technology Resources (including, but not limited to, privacy in the content of their personal files, e-mails, and records of their online activity when using the Corporation's computer network and/or Internet connection).

The Corporation may not be able to limit access technologically, through its Technology Resources to only those services and resources that have been authorized for the purpose of instruction, study and research related to the curriculum.

The Board prohibits the sending, receiving, viewing, or downloading of materials that are harmful to minors on computers and other technology related devices owned or leased by the Corporation or connected to the Corporation computer network.

Pursuant to **State and** Federal law, the School Corporation has implemented technology protection measures that protect against (e.g., filter or block) access to visual displays/depictions/materials that are obscene, constitute child pornography, and/or are harmful to minors, as defined by the Children's Internet Protection Act. The technology protection measures may not be disabled at any time that students may be using the Corporation Technology Resources if such disabling will cease to protect against access to materials that are prohibited under the Children's Internet Protection Act. Any student who attempts to disable the technology protection measures will be subject to discipline.

The Superintendent or the Technology Director may temporarily or permanently unblock access to websites or online education services/apps containing appropriate material, if access to such sites has been blocked inappropriately by the technology protection measures. The determination of whether material is appropriate or inappropriate shall be based on the content of the material and the intended use of the material.

Parents/Guardians are advised that a determined user may be able to gain access to services and/or resources on the Internet that the Corporation has not authorized for educational purposes. Parents of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using the Internet.

Staff members shall provide instruction for their students regarding the appropriate use of technology and online safety and security. Furthermore, staff members will monitor the online activities of students while at school.

Building principals are responsible for providing training so that Ed-Tech users under their supervision are knowledgeable about this policy and its accompanying guidelines. Users of Corporation Technology Resources (and their parents if they are minors) are required to sign a written agreement to abide by the terms and conditions of this policy and its accompanying guidelines.

The Corporation designates the Superintendent and Technology Director as the administrator(s) responsible for initiating, implementing, and enforcing this Policy and its accompanying guidelines as they apply to students' use of Corporation Technology Resources.

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Legal

P.L. 106-554 (2000), Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000

47 U.S.C. 254(h), (1), Communications Act of 1934, as amended (2003)

18 U.S.C. 1460

18 U.S.C. 2246

18 U.S.C. 2256

20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq., Part F, Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended

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20 U.S.C. 6777, 9134 (2003)

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