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7540 - TECHNOLOGY

The Board is committed to the effective use of technology to both enhance the quality of student learning and the efficiency of District operations.

Students' use of District technology resources (see definition in Bylaw 0100 - Definitions) is a privilege not a right. Students and their parents must comply with Policy 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety.

The District Administrator shall develop and implement a written District Technology Procedure (DTP). One of the primary purposes of the DTP is to evaluate new and emerging technologies and how they will play a role in student achievement and success and/or efficient and effective District operations. The Board will financially support, as the budget permits, the DTP, including recommendations to provide new and developing technology for students and staff.

The District Administrator shall create a Technology Governance Committee to oversee and guide the development of the DTP. The District Administrator shall appoint individuals to the Technology Governance Committee that include representatives of all educational, administrative, and business/operational areas in the District.

The DTP shall set forth procedures for the proper acquisition of technology. The DTP shall also provide guidance to staff and students concerning making safe, appropriate and ethical use of District technology resources, as well as inform both staff and students about disciplinary actions that will be taken if Board technology and/or networks are abused in any way or used in an illegal or unethical manner. (See Policy 7540.03 and AG 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety, and Policy 7540.04 and AG 7540.04 - Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety)

The District Administrator, in conjunction with the Information Technology Coordinator, shall review the DTP and report the approval of any changes, amendments, or revisions to the Board

This policy, along with the Student and Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety policies, and the Student Code of Conduct, further govern students' and staff members' use of their personal communication devices (see Policy 5136 - Personal Communication Devices and Policy 7530.02 - Staff and School Officials Use of Personal Communication Devices). Users have no right or expectation of privacy when using District 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 District's computer network and/or Internet connection).

Further, safeguards shall be established so that the Board's investment in both hardware and software achieves the benefits of technology and inhibits negative side effects. Accordingly, students shall be educated about appropriate online behavior including, but not limited to, using social media, which is defined in Bylaw 0100 - Definitions, to interact with others online; interacting with other individuals in chat rooms or on blogs; and, recognizing what constitutes cyberbullying, understanding cyberbullying is a violation of Board policy, and learning appropriate responses if they experience cyberbullying. Social media does not include sending or receiving e-mail through the use of District-issued e-mail accounts.

Equipment Security and Retention Procedures

The District invests significant resources in making current technology available for staff and students. Individual usage of devices that are not in a fixed location must be in accordance with these guidelines. The term "device" for purposes of this guideline includes District-owned computers, tablets, smart devices, and any other hardware or software systems or equipment owned or leased by the District.

A. Identification:

- 1. (X) A label with the District's name and an identification number will be placed on each portable device owned by the District.
- 2. () In addition, an indelible marking shall be used to write the following on each device:

District, school name, and storage location, if applicable

- 3. (X-) Records of the identification number, serial number, model, etc. for each device shall be maintained in the District Office.
- 4. **(X-)** Records on each piece of software and software license, organized by title and course or program, shall be maintained in the District Office.
- 5. (-X) District devices are assigned, identified, and tracked through an online management system.
- 6. ()_______

B. Use of District-owned Devices:

All devices to be used either in the District or off-school premises shall be checked out through the LMC_______. ({) See Form 7530A F1}) Devices may not be used for the purpose of copying materials in violation of copyright laws. { () See AG 2531 Copyrighted Works)

The person checking out the device $\frac{1}{2}$ signing the request () form () Form 7530A F1 is responsible for the condition of the device until checked back in.

No device may be used to access any material that is prohibited by the District's technology usage policies, Policy 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety and Policy 7540.04 - Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety. Devices may not be used to access content that is unlawful or potentially harmful to the device and may never be used to access any "darkweb" content. Specifically, use of devices to access material that poses a risk of introducing viruses, malware, or other destructive content is strictly prohibited. Users are responsible for replacing devices that are inoperable due to the introduction of such malicious content while in the user's possession.

C. Equipment Inventory and Repair:

All devices will be inventoried pursuant to Policy 7450 - Property Inventory.

If a piece of equipment requires repair, it will be sent to the LMC______

D. Report of Loss:

Access to Social Media

Staff use of District-approved social media platforms/sites shall be consistent with Policy 7544 - Use of Social Media.

Students must comply with Policy 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety and Policy 5136 - Personal Communication Devices when using District technology resources to access and/or use District-approved social media platforms/sites.

Similarly, staff must comply with Policy 7544 - Use of Social Media, Policy 7540.04 - Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety, and Policy 7530.02 - Staff and School Officials Use of Personal Communication Devices when using District technology resources to access and/or use District-approved social media platforms/sites.

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