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STUDENT USE OF THE DISTRICT'S COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND INTERNET SAFETY

Computers, computer networks, electronic devices, Internet access, and electronic messaging systems are effective and important technological resources. The _____ Board of Education (the "Board") has installed computers and a computer network(s), including Internet access and electronic messaging systems on Board premises, and may provide other electronic devices that can access the network(s) and/or have the ability to send and receive messages with an operating system or network communication framework. Devices include but are not limited to personal computing devices, cellular phones, Smartphones, Smartwatches, network access devices, tablets, laptops, personal gaming systems, Bluetooth speakers, e-readers, and other electronic signaling devices. Electronic messaging systems include mobile, chat, and instant message; cloud collaboration platforms, including internal chat, peer-to-peer messaging systems, and draft email message transfer; and products that have the ability to create duration-based or subjective removal of content, such as Snapchat, and security focused platforms, such as Signal. The Board's computers, computer network, electronic devices, Internet access, and electronic messaging systems are referred to collectively as "the computer systems" and are provided in order to enhance both the educational opportunities for our students and the business operations of the _____ Public Schools (the "District").

These computer systems are business and educational tools. As such, they are made available to students in the District for education-related uses. The Administration shall develop regulations setting forth procedures to be used by the Administration in an effort to ensure that such computer systems are used by students solely for education-related purposes. The District will educate minor students about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and other online communication sites and cyberbullying awareness and response. Additionally, the District will implement a technology protection measure designed to block or filter Internet access to visual depictions that contain material that is obscene or obscene as to minors or contains child sexual abuse material, and designed to ensure that such filtering technology is operative during computer use by minor students to the extent practicable when such students are using Board-owned computers or devices and Board-provided Internet access.

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As the owner of the computer systems, the Board reserves the right to monitor the use of the District's computers and computer systems.

Legal References:

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-221

Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 53a-182b; 53a-183; 53a-193; 53a-250 *et seq.*

Public Act 24-118, "An Act Concerning Child Sexual Abuse."

Electronic Communication Privacy Act of 1986, 18 U.S.C. §§ 2510 through 2523

Children's Internet Protection Act, 47 U.S.C. § 254(h)

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. § 6777

Protecting Children in the 21st Century Act, 47 U.S.C. § 254(h)(5)(B)(iii)

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