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Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media**

A "personal electronic device" is a device, not issued by the district, that is capable of electronically communicating, sending, receiving, storing, recording, reproducing and/or displaying information and data.

Student possession and use of personal electronic devices on district property and at district-sponsored activities may be permitted subject to the limitations set forth in this policy, district rules established by the superintendent or designee, and school rules established by the principal. Student use of personal electronic devices shall be restricted during the school day. Such devices may not be used in any manner that may disrupt the learning environment or district-sponsored activities, or violate board policies, administrative regulations, or state or federal law¹.

The district will not be liable for personal electronic devices brought to district property or district-sponsored activities.

If the district implements a curriculum that uses technology, students may be allowed to use their own personal computers to access the curriculum. Students who are allowed to use their own computers to access the curriculum will be granted access to any application or electronic materials when they are available to students who do not use their own devices, or provided free of charge to students who do not use their own devices for curriculum.

Social media tools (as defined in administrative regulation JFCEB-AR - Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media) may be allowed to be used by students in a manner that supports the instructional and learning environment.

The superintendent is directed to develop administrative regulations and/or approve school rules to restrict the use of personal electronic devices by students during the school day and ensure that student use of such devices is consistent with this policy. Administrative regulations may include grade- or age-level possession and/or use restrictions by students on district property and at district-sponsored activities, consequences for violations, exceptions to the restrictions, a process for responding to a student's request to use a personal electronic device, including an appeal process if the request is denied, and such other provisions as the superintendent may deem necessary. The superintendent is responsible for ensuring that pertinent provision of the rules governing personal electronic devices are included in student/parent handbooks, reviewed annually and updated as necessary.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 332.107

¹The taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing of obscene, pornographic, or otherwise illegal images or photographs, whether by electronic data transfer or otherwise (commonly called texting, sexting, emailing, etc.) may constitute a crime under state and/or federal law. Any person taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing obscene, pornographic, or otherwise illegal images or photographs will be reported to law enforcement and/or other appropriate state or federal agencies.

