

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: JFCEB

Adopted:

Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media**

(Student may not possess a personal electronic device)

(Version 3)

Student possession or use of personal electronic devices and social media on district property, in district facilities during the school day and while the student is in attendance at district-sponsored activities is prohibited. Exceptions may be made with prior superintendent or designee approval for health, safety or emergency reasons or when use is provided for in a student's individualized education program (IEP). Students may not use district equipment to access social media websites, while on district property or at district-sponsored activities unless the posting is approved by a district representative.

[A "personal electronic device" is a device that is capable of electronically communicating, sending, receiving, storing, recording, reproducing and/or displaying information and data.]

Devices attached to, or stored in a student vehicle parked on district property will be exempt from this policy, provided the device is not removed from the vehicle while on district property.

Students in violation of this policy will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion.¹ The superintendent shall ensure that the Board's policy is communicated to staff, students and parents through building handbooks and other such means. The district will not be liable for information or comments posted by students on social media websites when the student is not engaged in district activities and not using district equipment.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 336.840](#)

¹ The 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.

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