

BOYCEVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Policy Revisions

Policy 1100 - District Organization (Revised)

This policy has been clarified and previous optional language regarding consultants has been moved to new Policy 8125 - Consultants, and a reference to this policy is added to Policy 6320 - Purchasing.

Recommended for consistency with other policies.

Policy 1130 - Ethics and Conflict of Interest (Revised)

Policy 3230 - Ethics and Conflict of Interest (Revised)

Policy 4230 - Ethics and Conflict of Interest (Revised)

These policies have been revised for consistency, incorporating restrictions on the supervision of a relative, and includes options involving outside employment or consulting.

The revisions are recommended for broader application and consistency with other policies.

Policy 1241 - Non-Renewal or Termination of the District Administrator's Contract (Revised)

The title of the policy has been modified to more accurately reflect that the content specifically references the non-renewal or termination of the District Administrator. In addition, the policy has been modified to incorporate language consistent with the nonrenewal statute and references Policy 3140 as applicable to other administrators. (Policy 3140 is also revised as a technical correction to provide a cross-reference to this policy.)

Recommended for internal consistency.

Policy 2210 - Curriculum Development (Revised)

This policy has been revised by removing language that is part of the education outcome goals and expectations included in Section 118.01 of the Wisconsin statutes and not the curriculum standards as outlined in PI 8 of the Administrative Code. The appropriate language is included in Policy 2131 - Educational Outcome Goals and Expectations. The legal citations has been updated to accurately reflect the curriculum standards in PI 8.

This revision is recommended to accurately reflect the curriculum standards.

Policy 2270 - Religion in the Curriculum (Revised)

This policy is revised to add legal citations and to reflect the annual notice requirement in the law.

Policy 2271.01 - Start College Now Program (Revised)

The policy is updated to reflect that, in addition to any tuition cost, the law requires that the District pay the costs of course fees and books to the same extent that a student who is attending the technical college and who is a resident of this State would be charged.

This revision is recommended.

Policy 2416 - Student Privacy and Parental Access to Information (Revised)

This policy is updated to improve the arrangement of the policy provisions to be more user-friendly, and to update parental notification requirements.

Policy 2440.01 - Summer or Interim School Attendance (New)

This new policy is provided to separate the attendance rules for summer session as requested in a recent School District membership audit. Options are included for establishing minimum hours or percentage of attendance for purposes of earning credits for applicable summer school courses.

Adoption of this policy is recommended.

Policy 2464 - Advanced Learning Instruction ("Gifted and Talented") (Replacement)

This policy replaces the existing policy to account for significant revisions. The replacement policy includes new provisions, based on State-based statutory language and administrative regulations from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. This policy was developed with the assistance of the Wisconsin Association for Talented and Gifted (WATG).

Adoption of this replacement policy is recommended.

Policy 3214 - Staff Gifts (Replacement)

Policy 4214 - Staff Gifts (Replacement)

These policies have been updated and restructured to present the more common scenarios involving gifts to or from staff.

Recommended but not required.

Policy 3281 - Personal Property of Staff Members (Revised)

Language has been added to this policy authorizing administration to require removal of inappropriate personal property from District premises.

Recommended for confirmation of such authority.

Policy 4124 - Notice of Reasonable Assurance of Employment (Revised)

This language in this policy has been modified to be more consistent with State statute.

Recommended for consistency with statute.

Policy 5113 - Open Enrollment Program (Inter-District) (Revised)

This policy is revised to incorporate verbiage regarding requirements to review a special education student's IEP to determine both space and service availability.

Adoption of this is recommended, and because this involves handling open enrollment applications, strongly recommended to improve a District's ability to successfully defend a decision to deny open enrollment.

Policy 5330 - Administration of Medication/Emergency Care (Revised)

This policy option is added pursuant to 2023 Wisconsin Act 195, effective March 2024, which permits a school to develop a plan to have available the use of bronchodilators, provided by prescription to the school. Doing so is voluntary, but provides the ability to protect students with severe asthma. Administration of a bronchodilator by school staff to a student must be consistent with the plan, involve staff training, and be administered only to students who have a prescription for their use.

Policy 5341 - Emergency Medical Authorization (Rescind)

This policy is rescinded because its contents are fully incorporated into Policy 5330 - Administration of Medication/Emergency Use.

Rescinding this policy is recommended to avoid confusion and duplication, as well as to remove a misleading reference to parental consent to provide emergency care to a student, which is not required by law.

Policy 5512 - Use of Tobacco and Nicotine by Students (Revised)

The policy revisions are offered in consultation with representatives from the American Lung Association to provide options for incorporating smoking cessation programs into the student intervention process, as opposed to strictly punitive measures. Also added is a more descriptive policy position to promote respect for Native American ceremonial tobacco usage.

These recommendations are not required.

Policy 5611 - Due Process Rights (Rescind)

This policy is rescinded because its contents are already included in the more applicable Policy 5610 - Suspension and Expulsion.

Rescinding this policy does not diminish any student rights, but rather eliminates the potential for two (2) separate policies to become inconsistent over time and as a result impair students' and school officials' efforts to apply the student and parental rights associated with the disciplinary process.

Policy 5710 - Student Complaints (Rescind)

This policy is rescinded to avoid confusion regarding sources of student opportunities to raise concerns or complaints through appropriate channels. The concept of student participation in improving the educational environment is important. This policy identifies those sources, but inadvertently creates the impression of a separate complaint procedure created by this policy. Policy 9130 - Public Requests, Suggestions, or Complaints is the comprehensive policy for addressing any issues not addressed by another specific policy such as nondiscrimination or harassment among others.

Similar to the rescission of Policy 5611 - Due Process Rights, this policy serves to create possible confusion as to the proper procedure to follow in the event of a student complaint. Such confusion reduces the students' access to consistent predictable ameliorative procedures to address any complaints.

Policy 6231 - Budget Implementation (Revised)

This policy is revised to clarify language regarding fund balance expenditures consistent with current practices.

Recommended but not required.

Policy 6235 - Fund Balance (Revised)

This policy is updated to include additional rationale and options for a District's management of fund balances.

Recommended but not required.

Policy 6620 - Petty Cash (Revised)

This policy has been updated and simplified and provides an option for a petty cash fund limit.

Recommended but not required.

Policy 7410 - Maintenance (Revised)

Terminology in this policy has been updated and clarified.

Recommended but not required.

Policy 7430 - Safety Standards (Revised)

This policy has been revised to clarify what information is required to be reported to the Board.

Recommended for consistency with statutory requirements.

Policy 7440 - Facility Security (Revised)

The revisions to this policy clarify law enforcement contact and remove optional language.

Recommended for clarity in application.

Policy 7440.02 - Smart Sensor and Monitoring Technology (Revised)

This revision updates the title to better describe current technology and adds a definition corresponding to same.

Policy 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety (Revised)

Policy 7540.04 - Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety (Revised)

These policies are updated to reflect new requirements by the FCC in a District's Acceptable Use Policy.

These changes are recommended for legal compliance if the District receives Federal E-Rate funds through the Universal Service Program.

Policy 7540.07 - District-Issued Student E-Mail Account (Revised)

This policy is revised to include optional language regarding use of District-issued email addresses on other media accounts.

Recommended for current and comprehensive application.

Policy 8120 - Volunteers (Revised)

This policy is revised to clarify options regarding volunteer background checks and statutory requirements to conduct background checks on Board member's who volunteer.

Reference to the use of software intake systems (e.g. Raptor) is also added for those Districts that use such software.

Policy 8125 - Consultants (New)

This new policy is added to provide clear direction from the Board to administration regarding the scope of authority and process to engage a variety of educational consultants that provide services to support the schools' programming.

Adoption of this policy is recommended.

Policy 8305 - Information Security (Revised)

This policy revision provides cross-references to related policies, and includes additional language regarding limitations on the public discussion of cyber-security measures.

These revisions are recommended, but not required.

Policy 8395 - Student Mental and Physical Health Services (Revised)

This policy is revised to reflect the provision of both mental and physical health services in school, both through school resources (i.e., student services, guidance services, and school nursing services). The policy is also updated to better reflect the option for arrangements for on-site health services provided by outside agencies, either in-person or virtually, as supplementary to services provided by school staff.

Adoption of these revisions is recommended, but not required.

Policy 8531 - Free and Reduced-Price Meals (Revised)

This policy revision is provided to allow for circumstances where a District may have one (1) or more of its schools qualify for the CEP program but others that do not. By incorporating the CEP option as part of the general policy language, the policy will not need to be updated in the event a District's school or schools become eligible.

This revision is recommended, but not required. If your District has any school that qualifies for the CEP option, this revision is strongly recommended.

Policy 8600 - Transportation (Revised)

This policy revision clarifies the transportation obligations for a student with a disability as defined in their individualized education program (IEP).

This revision is recommended, but not required. If not adopted, transportation for students receiving special education services must still be provided consistent with the students' IEP.

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1100 - **DISTRICT ORGANIZATION**

The Board ~~of Education~~ recognizes that the grouping of grades and services within the facilities of the District can assist the efficient operation of the District and help achieve a more effective instructional program.

The District Administrator shall continually monitor the effectiveness of the District organizational plan and recommend to the Board such modifications in the plan which are in the best interests of the students, make ~~the~~ **wisest efficient** use of District resources, and serve the educational goals of the Board. **Any reconfiguration of the grouping of grades, the use of buildings, or revision of services as part of the District's instructional program shall require Board approval.**

~~Modifications in the organizational plan of the schools may be made by the Board upon the recommendation of the District Administrator.~~

The District Administrator shall be the ~~chief executive officer~~ **administrative head** of the ~~School~~ District. The District Administrator shall define and recommend those administrative positions required to implement the educational system and program of learning established by the Board. ~~In each case, the Board will approve the broad purpose and function of the position in harmony with State law and regulations.~~ **Any revision of the District's administrative organizational structure shall require Board approval.**

Responsibility shall flow clearly from the District Administrator through ~~the administrative staff~~ **administrators** to the operational personnel **in a manner consistent with the District's plan of supervision for staff.**

It shall be the responsibility of the District Administrator to determine the need for and define operational requirements sufficient to ensure the ~~smooth~~ **effective** functioning of the District. ~~Maintenance of an efficient, skilled, operational staff is essential to the effective performance of the system.~~

~~It is the Board's intent to maintain an operational and technical staff with a high level of competence.~~

~~On occasion, the District Administrator may find it necessary to recommend to the Board the employment of specialists or consultants to maintain or support programs implemented by the District in areas requiring specialized knowledge. These positions will be considered by the Board on the merits of their potential contribution to the School District and the specific conditions of the stated contract or agreement.~~

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1130 - ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The proper performance of school business is dependent upon the maintenance of unusually high standards of honesty, integrity, impartiality, and professional conduct by Board members, and the District's administrative employees, officers, and agents, and is essential to the Board's commitment to earn and keep the public's confidence in the School District.

For these reasons, the Board adopts the following guidelines that are designed to avoid the occurrence or appearance of any conflicts of interest. These guidelines apply to all administrative employees, officers, and agents, including members of the Board. These guidelines are not intended to be all-inclusive, nor to substitute for good judgment on the part of all administrative employees, officers, and agents. Administrative employees are expected to perform their duties in an ethical manner and free from an actual conflict of interest or from situations that create the appearance of a conflict of interest, in a manner consistent with 19.59, Wis. Stats. The Board's interest in enforcing this policy is to assure that the decisions and actions of public employees retain the public's trust. Therefore, even a conflict relationship that can be viewed as beneficial to the District or that was intended to be beneficial to the District, may still be a violation of this policy.

- A. No administrative employee, officer, or agent shall engage in or have a personal or financial or other interest, directly or indirectly, in any activity that conflicts or raises a reasonable question of conflict with ~~his/her~~ **the employee's, officer's, or agent's** duties and responsibilities in the school system. Specifically, administrative employees must perform their duties in a manner that does not violate criminal conflict of interest laws pursuant to 946.13, Wis. Stats. by having a private pecuniary interest in an amount that exceeds \$15,000, but also lesser valued conflicts that nonetheless create the appearance of using one's public position to secure a private pecuniary interest and/or benefit.
- B. **Administrative employees shall not directly supervise a relative employed by the District or employed in a position contracted for by the District.**
- C. Administrative employees, officers, and agents shall not engage in business, private practice of their profession, the rendering of services, or anything of substantial value or the sale of goods of any type where advantage is taken of any professional relationship they may have with any employee, student, client, or parents of such students or clients in the course of their employment or professional relationship with the School District.

Included, by way of illustration rather than limitation are the following:

1. the provision of any private lessons or services for a fee, unless the provision of services is arranged outside of school and is separate from, and in addition to, regular support provided to students as part of the administrator's regular duties;~~;~~
2. soliciting on school premises or under circumstances which are coercive for the private sale of goods or services to students or other employees~~;~~
3. the use, sale, or improper divulging of any privileged information ~~through his/her access to School District records~~, about a student or client, ~~gained~~ **granted** in the course of the ~~administrative employee's, officer's,~~ or agent's employment or professional relationship with the School District **through their access to School District records;**

4. the referral of any student or client for lessons or services to any private business or professional practitioner if there is any expectation of reciprocal referrals, sharing of fees, or other remuneration for such referrals;
 5. the requirement of employees, students or clients to purchase any private goods or services provided by an administrative employee, officer or agent or any business or professional practitioner with whom any employee, officer or agent has a financial or other relationship, as a condition of receiving any grades, credits, promotions, approvals, or recommendations.
- D. Should exceptions to this policy be necessary in order to provide mandatory services to students or clients of the School District, all such exceptions will be made known to the administrative employee's supervisor and will be disclosed to the District Administrator before entering into any private relationship.
- E. Administrative employees, officers, and agents shall not make use of materials, equipment, or facilities of the School District for their own personal financial gain or business interest. Examples would be the use of facilities before, during, or after regular business hours for service to private practice clients, or the checking out of items from an instructional materials center for private practice.
- F. ~~Administrative employees, officers, and agents cannot participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a Federal grant/award if s/he has a real or apparent conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest would arise when the employee, officer or agent, any member of his/her immediate family, his/her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties described in this section, has a financial or other interest in, or a tangible personal benefit from, a firm considered for a contract.~~ Administrative employees, officers, and agents shall not participate in the selection, award, and administration of any contract to an entity in which they have a pecuniary interest or from which they derive a profit, or in which a dependent of the employee has a pecuniary interest or from which the dependent derives a profit. "Dependent" includes the employee's spouse; unemancipated child, stepchild, or adopted child under the age of eighteen (18); or individual for whom the employee provides more than one-half (1/2) of the individual's support during a year. A "pecuniary interest" means an interest in a contract or purchase that will result or is intended to result in an ascertainable increase in the income or net worth of the employee or the employee's dependent who is under the direct or indirect administrative control of the professional employee or who receives a contract or purchase order that is reviewed, approved, or directly or indirectly administered by the employee.
- Administrative employees, officers, and agents may not solicit or accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts.
- G. Administrative employees, officers, and agents must disclose any potential conflict of interest which may lead to a violation of this policy to the School District. Upon discovery of any potential conflict of interest, the School District will disclose, in writing, the potential conflict of interest to the appropriate Federal awarding agency or, if applicable, the pass-through entity.
- The District will also disclose, in a timely manner, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity that affect a Federal award to the appropriate Federal awarding agency or, if applicable, the pass-through entity.
- H. Administrative employees, officers and agents found to be in violation of this conflict of interest policy will be subject to disciplinary actions.

No administrative employee may accept or engage in any employment, consulting, advising, or other professional activity with any organization other than the District, whether the administrator will receive compensation for such outside activity or not, without first providing notice to the District Administrator, or in the case of the District Administrator, such notice must be provided to the Board.

In the event that, within the course of administering a Federally funded grant program or service to the District, an administrative employee identifies a conflict of interest, a potential conflict of interest, or that the appearance of a conflict of interest may arise in the course of administering the Federal grant funds, the administrative employee must immediately notify either the Federal agency administering the grant in a manner consistent with that particular agency's rules on conflict of interests, or the District employee directly responsible for grant compliance. Such notice shall be provided at the earliest possible time.

It is a violation of this policy to take action or to refrain from taking action, or for an administrative employee to otherwise use ~~his/her~~ the employee's public position to obtain a financial gain or anything of substantial value for ~~himself/herself~~ oneself or ~~his/her~~ the employee's immediate family, as defined in 19.42(7), Wis. Stats.

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2210 - CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

The Board recognizes its responsibility for the quality of the educational program of the schools. To this end, a District curriculum plan shall be developed, evaluated, and adopted. The plan shall include overall program evaluation processes that provide for evaluation on a continuing basis and shall provide for the review of the evaluation process at least every five (5) years. The District curriculum plan shall include sequential curriculum plans, which provides an organized set of learning experiences that build upon previously acquired knowledge and skills.

For purposes of this policy and consistent communication throughout the District, curriculum shall be defined to include:

- A. the courses of study, subjects, classes, and organized activities provided by the school;
- B. all the planned activities of the schools, including formal classroom instruction and out-of-class activity, both individual and group;

The Board directs that the curriculum of this District:

- A. provide instruction in courses consistent with statute and regulations of the Department of Public Instruction or appropriate State agency;
- B. ensure, consistent with 115, Wis. Stats., and other applicable Federal and State laws and regulations, that special learning needs of students are provided for in the context of the regular program or classroom and provides for effective coordination with programs or agencies that are needed to meet those needs that cannot be dealt with in the regular program or classroom;
- C. be consistent with and designed to achieve the District's philosophy and goals;
- D. incorporate State-recommended performance standards for students as the basis for determining how well each student is achieving curriculum objectives;
- E. allow for the development of individual talents and interests as well as recognizes that learning styles of students may differ;
- F. provide a strategy for continuous and cumulative learning through effective articulation at all levels, particularly of those skills identified as essential and life-role skills;
- G. utilize a variety of learning resources to accomplish the educational goals;
- H. encourage students to utilize school counseling services in their academic and career planning;
- I. in the elementary grades, provide regular instruction in reading, language arts, social studies, mathematics, science, health, physical education, art and music;
- J. in grades 5 to 8, provide regular instruction in language arts, social studies, mathematics, science, health, physical education, art and music;

- K. in grades 9 to 12, provide access to an educational program that enables students each year to study English, social studies, mathematics, science, vocational education, foreign language, physical education, art and music;
- L. provide regular instruction in foreign language in grades 7 and 8;
- M. in one (1) of grades 5 to 8 and in one (1) of grades 10 to 12, provide students with the instruction on shaken baby syndrome and impacted babies described in 253.15 (5), Wis. Stats.;
- N. incorporate instruction in financial literacy into the curriculum in grades kindergarten to 12;
- O. at least once in grades 5 to 8 and at least once in grades 9 to 12, include instruction on the Holocaust and other genocides;
- P. provide that, in the social studies curriculum, instruction in the history, culture, and tribal sovereignty of Federally-recognized American Indian tribes and bands located in Wisconsin takes place at least twice in the elementary grades and once in the high school grades;
- Q. ~~provide for multi cultural education by including, at each level, courses or units which help students understand the culture and contributions of various ethnic groups comprising American society, including, but not limited to Euro-Americans, African Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanic Americans, and Native Americans.~~

The District Administrator shall make progress reports to the Board periodically.

The District Administrator may propose programming using innovative instructional design as deemed to be beneficial or necessary to the continuing growth of the instructional program and to better promote the District's educational goals. Each such innovative program intended to be part of the required hours of instruction must be consistent with State law and implemented consistent with the District's curriculum as approved by the Board.

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2270 - RELIGION IN THE CURRICULUM

As a public entity, the District must comply with the U.S. Constitution's First Amendment requirement that the District neither establishes religion in the schools nor prohibits students' free exercise of religion according to pertinent interpretation and application of those Constitutional provisions by the Courts. Accordingly, no Board employee will promote religion in the classroom or in the District's curriculum, or compel or pressure any student to participate in devotional exercises. Displays of a religious character must conform with Policy 8800 - Religious Activities and Observances, and Policy 8802 - Patriotic Activities and Observances. Instructional activities shall not be permitted to advance or inhibit any particular religion or religion generally. Teachers shall forward requests for religious accommodation in instruction to the Principal.

An understanding of religions and their effects on civilization is essential to the thorough education of young people and to their appreciation of a pluralistic society. To that end, curriculum may include, as appropriate to the various ages and attainments of the students, instruction about the religions of the world.

The Board acknowledges the degree to which religion often is incorporated into certain aspects of the arts, literature, music, and issues of morality. The instructional and resource materials approved for use in the District schools sometimes contain religious references or concern moral issues that have traditionally been the focus of religious concern. That such materials may contain such references or may concern such issues, shall not, by itself, bar their use by the District. The Board directs that professional staff members employing such materials be neutral in their approach and avoid using them to advance or inhibit religion in any way.

The Board recognizes that religious traditions vary in their perceptions and doctrines regarding the natural world and its processes. The curriculum is chosen for its place in the education of the District's students, not for its conformity to religious principles. Students should receive unbiased instruction in the schools, so they may privately accept or reject the knowledge thus gained, in accordance with their own religious tenets if any.

Accordingly, no student shall be exempted from completion of a required course of study on the grounds that components of the instruction interfere with the free exercise of the student's religion. However, if after careful personal review of the program's lessons and/or materials, a ~~parent~~ **parent student or parent of a minor student** indicates to the school that either the content or activities conflict with the **student's or parent's** religious beliefs or value system, the school will honor a written request for the parent's child to be excused from particular class periods for specified reasons.

The student will be provided with alternate learning activities during the times of such parent-requested absence.

The District's instructional materials shall not be designed to influence students to accept or reject a particular religious belief or point of view, ~~and the District Administrator shall prepare administrative guidelines to that effect.~~

Complaints by students or the public regarding any such course of study will be handled in accordance with Board Policy 9130 - Public Requests, Suggestions, ~~and~~ **Complaints. Parents and students shall be provided annual notice regarding the contents of this policy.**

See Reference: Policy 8800 - Religious Activities and Observances, and Policy 8802 - Patriotic Activities and Observances.

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2271.01 - **START COLLEGE NOW PROGRAM**

The District will permit resident high school students who have completed the 10th grade and who meet eligibility criteria, to take courses at a technical college in the Wisconsin Technical College System for the purpose of earning both high school and postsecondary credit. Students who wish to attend a technical college under this policy must request attendance and, if the student is a minor, must provide written approval from the student's parent. Students must request such attendance from the student's resident school district if attending the District as a non-resident.

General Eligibility Criteria for Students that Have Completed the 10th Grade:

To be eligible to attend courses at a technical college pursuant to this policy, a student:

- A. must be in good academic standing;
- B. must provide written notification to the board of the school district in which the student resides of ~~his/her~~ **the student's** intent to attend a technical college under this subsection by March 1st if the student intends to enroll in the fall semester, and by October 1st if the student intends to enroll in the spring semester;
- C. must not be identified as a child-at-risk, pursuant to Policy 5461 **- Children At-Risk of Not Graduating from High School**;
- D. must not be ineligible for participation for having failed a previous class under ~~either this program or the Early College Credit Program (Policy 2271)~~ and failing to reimburse the Board for any costs the student is required to pay; and
- E. must be admitted to the technical college for attendance.

Undue Financial Hardship

The Board may prohibit a student's attendance if the student is a child with a disability and the Board determines that the cost to the School District of any required additional special services for participation in this program would impose an undue financial burden on the District.

Tuition Payments for Technical College Attendance

The District shall pay to the technical college the cost of a student's tuition for attendance, including any additional costs associated with a student's special services, if applicable, if attendance is permitted, except as follows:

- A. For any course that the Board determines does not meet high school graduation requirements or the Board determines the District provides a comparable course. The student may appeal an adverse decision to the Department of Public Instruction. The Board shall notify the student no less than thirty (30) **calendar** days prior to the start date of the proposed course if it finds that the course either does not meet high school graduation requirements or is comparable to a course offered in the District.
- B. The student has already completed eighteen (18) postsecondary semester credits.

Other Instructional Costs in Addition to Tuition

The District shall pay all costs for course fees and books that would be paid by a Wisconsin resident attending the technical college, provided that the course is not comparable to a course offered by the District.

(X) Reimbursement for Course Failing Grade

If a student receives a failing grade in a course or fails to complete a course, at a technical college for which the Board has made payment, the student's parent, or the student if the student is an adult, may be required by the Board to reimburse the Board the amount paid on the student's behalf to the extent permitted by law to do so. For the purposes of this paragraph, a grade that constitutes a failing grade for a course offered in the School District constitutes a failing grade for a course taken at a technical college under this section.

Transportation Expenses

The District is not responsible for transporting a student attending a technical college under this policy to or from the technical college that the student is attending.

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2416 - **STUDENT PRIVACY AND PARENTAL ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

The Board respects the privacy rights of parents and their children.

Surveys Requiring Consent

No student shall be required, as a part of the school program or the District's curriculum, without prior written consent of the student (if an adult, or an emancipated minor) or, if an unemancipated minor, his/her parents, to submit to or participate in any survey, analysis, or evaluation that reveals information concerning:

- A. political affiliations or beliefs of the student or his/her parents;
- B. mental or psychological problems of the student or his/her family;
- C. sex behavior or attitudes;
- D. illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
- E. critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships;
- F. legally recognized privileged and analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians, and ministers;
- G. religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or his/her parents; or
- H. income (other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such a program).

The District Administrator shall establish procedures to provide parents with the opportunity to inspect any materials created by a third party used in conjunction with any such survey, analysis, or evaluation before the survey/evaluation is administered or distributed by the school to the student. The parent will have access to the survey/evaluation within a reasonable period of time after the request is received by the building principal.

Parent's Right to Inspect Surveys

Parents have the right to inspect, upon request, any instrument used in the collection of personal information before the instrument is administered or distributed to the student. The parent will have access to the instrument within a reasonable period of time after the request is received by the building principal.

Consistent with parental rights, the Board directs building and program administrators to:

- A. notify parents in writing of any surveys, analyses, or evaluations, which may reveal any of the information, as identified in A-H above, in a timely manner, and which allows interested parties to request an opportunity to inspect the survey, analysis, or evaluation; and the administrator to arrange for inspection prior to initiating the activity with students;
- B. allow the parents the option of excluding their student from the activity;

- C. report collected data in a summarized fashion which does not permit one to make a connection between the data and individual students or small groups of students;
- D. treat information as identified in A-H above as any other confidential information in accordance with Policy 8350 - Confidentiality and Policy 8330 - Student Records.

Student Privacy

For the privacy of students whose parents request that they not take part in the survey, arrangements will be made prior to the time period when the survey will be given, for the student(s) to go to a supervised location where under the supervision of a staff member the student will be provided with an alternate activity.

Personal Information for Marketing or Sale

The Board shall not collect or use personal information obtained from students or their parents for the purpose of marketing or for selling that information. For purposes of this section, "personal information" means individually identifiable information including: a student or parent's first and last name; a home or other physical address (including street name and the name of the city or town); a telephone number; and a Social Security identification number.

This section does not apply to the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services for or to student or educational institutions, such as the following:

- A. college or other postsecondary education recruitment, or military recruitment;
- B. book clubs, magazines, and programs providing access to low-cost literary products;
- C. curricular and instructional materials used by elementary and secondary schools;
- D. tests and assessments used by elementary schools and secondary schools to provide cognitive, evaluative, diagnostic, clinical, aptitude, or achievement information about students (or to generate other statistically useful data for the purpose of securing such tests and assessments) and the subsequent analysis and public release of the aggregate data from such tests and assessments;
- E. the sale by students of products or services to raise funds for school-related or education-related activities;
- F. student recognition programs.

Notice Requirements

The District Administrator is directed to provide notice directly to parents of students enrolled in the District of the substantive content of this policy at least annually at the beginning of the school year, and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in this policy. In addition, the District Administrator is directed to notify parents of students in the District, at least annually at the beginning of the school year, of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when the administration of any survey by a third party that contains one or more of the items described in A through H above are scheduled or expected to be scheduled.

The notice shall provide the following:

- A. Notice of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when the following activities are scheduled or expected to be scheduled:
 - 1. activities involving the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the purpose of marketing or for selling that information (or otherwise providing that information to others for that purpose);
 - 2. the administration of any survey by a third party that contains one or more of the items described in A through H above.
- B. The opportunity for the parents to opt their child(ren) out of participation in any survey involving any of the items above.

Parents have the right to inspect, upon request, any instrument used in the collection of personal information before the instrument is administered or distributed to the student. The parent will have access to the instrument within a reasonable period of time after the request is received by the building principal.

The term "personal information" means individually identifiable information including a student or parent's first and last name; a home or other physical address (including street name and the name of the city or town); a telephone number; and a Social Security identification number.

This section does not apply to the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information collected from students for the exclusive purpose of developing, evaluating, or providing educational products or services for, or to, student or educational institutions, such as the following:

- A. college or other postsecondary education recruitment, or military recruitment;
- B. book clubs, magazines, and programs providing access to low cost literary products;
- C. curricular and instructional materials used by elementary and secondary schools;
- D. tests and assessments used by elementary schools and secondary schools to provide cognitive, evaluative, diagnostic, clinical, aptitude, or achievement information about students (or to generate other statistically useful data for the purpose of securing such tests and assessments) and the subsequent analysis and public release of the aggregate data from such tests and assessments;
- E. the sale by students of products or services to raise funds for school related or education related activities;
- F. student recognition programs.

Parent Rights - Inspection of Materials

Parents have the right to inspect, upon request, any instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum of the student. The parent will have access to the instructional material within a reasonable period of time after the request is received by the building principal. The term instructional material means instructional content that is provided to a student, regardless of its format, including printed and representational materials, audio-visual materials, and materials in electronic or digital formats (such as materials accessible through the Internet). The term does not include academic tests or assessments.

Definitions

For purposes of this policy, the term "parent" includes a legal guardian or other person standing in loco parentis (such as grandparent or stepparent with whom the child lives, or a person who is legally responsible for the welfare of the child).

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2440.01 - **SUMMER OR INTERIM SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

The brief duration of summer or interim school makes regular attendance imperative. Students enrolled in summer school are expected to attend all class periods for classes in which they are enrolled. **[Drafting Note: The choice of attendance requirements in the options below may take into account hours of attendance for District funding needs.]**

☒] The Board may establish minimum attendance requirements for any classes taken for credit.

~~☐] Students enrolled in summer school are expected to attend all class periods and are required to maintain at least a _____ (____%) attendance record in order to receive credit towards graduation or to qualify to take a competency test.~~

[END OF OPTIONS]

Attendance exceptions may be granted only by the Principal and are limited to absences to participate in school-sponsored activities or in cases of emergency. When an exception is made, the student must still complete all required coursework.

Students may be excused from summer school attendance when a request is made by the student's parent. The school will attempt to contact the parent on the student's second day of absence if the parent has not notified the school of the student's absence.

Each parent, or adult student, must notify the school in writing if the student withdraws from the course at any time. Withdrawal will result in the student receiving no credit for the course.

The school shall maintain an accurate record of summer school attendance, late enrollments, and withdrawals.

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2464 - **PROGRAMS FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS** **ADVANCED LEARNING INSTRUCTION ("GIFTED AND TALENTED")**

~~In accordance with the philosophy of the Board of Education to develop the special abilities of each student, the Board requires that appropriate instructional programs be conducted to meet the needs of gifted and talented students.~~

~~Gifted and talented students are those who give evidence, through valid assessment, of high performance capability in intellectual, creative, artistic, leadership, and/or other academic areas and who need services or activities not ordinarily provided in the regular District program in order to develop such capabilities.~~

The Board recognizes that at any grade level, students have a diverse range of learning needs, with some students requiring instruction and content above grade level standards. The Board further recognizes its responsibility to provide a strong instructional program that results in the academic and social emotional growth of all students, including its advanced learners ("gifted and talented students"), in accordance with Wisconsin law.

Advanced learning focuses on identifying the instructional needs of students within the K-12 grade level system. Advanced learners (gifted and talented) are defined as students who give evidence of high performance capability or potential in any one (1) or more of five (5) domains: general intellectual, specific academic, leadership, creativity, and visual and performing arts. These students need instruction not ordinarily provided in a regular school program or assigned grade level in order to fully develop such capabilities.

The Board shall direct the District Administrator to establish a plan and designate a person to coordinate advanced instruction in a systematic and continuous K-12 progression. Instructional options should be designed to match students' learning needs in the domain(s) in which they are identified. The Coordinator should have background and training in gifted education and/or advanced learning, and all instructional staff will be provided with professional learning specific to the needs of advanced learners. The District Administrator shall provide an opportunity for parental participation in the identification process and resultant programming at both the District level and the school level.

IDENTIFICATION

Advanced learners (gifted and talented pupils) shall be identified in kindergarten through grade 12 in the five (5) domains: general intellectual, specific academic, leadership, creativity, and visual and performing arts. **(X)** Universal screening should occur before second grade, and again before sixth grade. The purpose of universal screening is to include students who traditionally are underrepresented in advanced learning opportunities. The identification process shall result in a student profile based on multiple indicators of student need, including but not limited to standardized test data with use of both national and local norms, rating scales or inventories, classwork, portfolios, nominations, and demonstrated performance. Identification tools shall be appropriately matched to each domain in which students are being identified. The identification process and tools shall be responsive to factors such as, but not limited to, pupils' economic conditions, race, gender, culture, native language, developmental differences, and identified disabilities (as described under subch. V of ch. 115, Stats.).

INSTRUCTION

The District Administrator shall provide access to appropriate instruction for students identified as advanced learners (gifted or talented) that results in their continued academic growth and development. This instruction shall be provided during the regular school day and without charge for tuition. Classroom-based, school-based, and/or District-wide advanced interventions should include evidence-based practices appropriate for the instruction of advanced learners.

Instruction for advanced learners should include opportunities both within and outside the established grade level curriculum. Such opportunities may include but are not limited to, classroom differentiation, curriculum compacting, above grade level instruction, acceleration in an individual subject, full grade acceleration, cluster grouping and flexible grouping, faster pace and greater depth of instruction, academic enrichment, early admission to kindergarten or first grade, concurrent enrollment at accredited institutions, and early graduation.

DOCUMENTATION AND EVALUATION

Identification will be documented for each student indicating for which domain(s) they are identified as an advanced learner and what instruction and opportunities were provided.

The District Administrator will evaluate the effectiveness of identification and programming for advanced learners through ongoing data analysis to measure both the growth of individual students and the consistent implementation of advanced learning instruction and opportunities across all K-12 schools.

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3214 - **STAFF GIFTS**

~~The Board of Education considers the presentation of gifts to professional staff members by students and their parents an undesirable practice because it tends to embarrass students with limited means and gives the appearance of seeking favor.~~

~~Based on the foregoing premise, it is the policy of the Board that professional staff members may accept gifts of nominal value from students or parents.~~

~~The District Administrator may approve acts of generosity to individual staff members in unusual situations.~~

~~Upon the recommendation of the District Administrator, the Board shall consider, as appropriate, the presentation of token gifts to retiring members of the staff who have rendered service for a period of time.~~

The Board generally discourages the presentation of gifts to staff members by students and their parents to avoid the appearance of favoritism and to avoid the embarrassment of students who are unable or whose parents are unable or unwilling to provide professional staff with gifts.

Teachers may accept only gifts of nominal value (the amount as defined in Policy 1130/Policy 3230 - Ethics and Conflict of Interest) from students and their parents, or token items often distributed by companies through their public relations or marketing programs. Other gifts must be declined for compliance with this policy.

It shall not be considered a violation of this policy for an employee to receive entertainment, food, refreshments, meals, health screenings, amenities, or beverages that are provided in connection with a conference sponsored by an established or recognized educational organization, or as may be approved by the District Administrator.

Gifts that are intended for the benefit of the District shall be referred to the District Administrator for proper processing in accordance with Policy 7230 - Gifts, Grants, and Bequests.

The District Administrator may approve acts of generosity to individual staff members in special situations.

Upon the recommendation of the District Administrator, the Board shall consider, as appropriate, the presentation of recognition gifts to members of the staff who have rendered service for a period of time.

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3230 - ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The proper performance of school business is dependent upon the maintenance of unusually high standards of honesty, integrity, impartiality, and professional conduct by Board members and the District's employees, officers, and agents is essential to the Board's commitment to earn and keep the public's confidence in the School District.

For these reasons, the Board adopts the following guidelines designed to avoid the occurrence or appearance of any conflicts of interest. These guidelines apply to all District employees, officers, and agents, including members of the Board. These guidelines are not intended to be all-inclusive, nor to substitute for good judgment on the part of all professional employees, officers, and agents. Professional employees are expected to perform their duties in an ethical manner and free from an actual conflict of interest or from situations that create the appearance of a conflict of interest, in a manner consistent with 19.59, Wis. Stats. The Board's interest in enforcing this policy is to assure that the decisions and actions of public employees retain the public's trust. Therefore, even a conflict relationship that can be viewed as beneficial to the District, or that was intended to be beneficial to the District, may still be a violation of this policy.

- A. No professional employee, officer, or agent shall engage in or have a personal or financial or other interest, directly or indirectly, in any activity that conflicts or raises a reasonable question of conflict with ~~his/her~~ the employee's, officer's, or agents duties and responsibilities in the school system. Specifically, professional employees must perform their duties in a manner that does not violate criminal conflict of interest laws pursuant to 946.13, Wis. Stats. by having a private pecuniary interest in an amount that exceeds \$15,000, but also lesser valued conflicts that nonetheless create the appearance of using one's public position to secure a private pecuniary interest and/or benefit.
- B. Professional employees, officers, or agents shall not directly supervise a relative employed by the District or employed in a position contracted for by the District.
- C. Professional employees, officers, and agents shall not engage in business, private practice of their profession, the rendering of services, anything of substantial value, or the sale of goods of any type where advantage is taken of any professional relationship they may have with any employee, student, client, or parents of such students or clients in the course of their employment or professional relationship with the School District.

Included, by way of illustration, rather than limitation are the following:

1. the provision of any private lessons or services for a fee, unless the provision of services is arranged outside of school and is separate from and in addition to regular support provided to students as part of the professional staff member's regular duties
2. soliciting on school premises or under circumstances which are coercive for the private sale of goods or services to students or other employees;
3. ~~the use, sale, or improper divulging of any privileged information about a student or client granted in the course of the employee's, officer's or agent's employment or professional relationship with the School District through his/her access to School District records~~ the use, sale, or improper divulging of any privileged information about a student or client granted in the course of the employee's, officer's or agent's employment or professional relationship with the School District through their access to School District records;

4. the referral of any student or client for lessons or services to any private business or professional practitioner if there is any expectation of reciprocal referrals, sharing of fees, or other remuneration for such referrals;
 5. the requirement of employees, students or clients to purchase any private goods or services provided by an employee, officer or agent or any business or professional practitioner with whom any employee, officer or agent has a financial or other relationship, as a condition of receiving any grades, credits, promotions, approvals, or recommendations.
- D. Should exceptions to this policy be necessary in order to provide mandatory services to students or clients of the School District, all such exceptions will be made known to the employee's supervisor and will be disclosed to the District Administrator before entering into any private relationship.
- E. Professional employees, officers, and agents shall not make use of materials, equipment, or facilities of the School District for their own personal financial gain or business interest. Examples would be the use of facilities before, during, or after regular business hours for service to private practice clients, or the checking out of items from an instructional materials center for private practice.
- F. Professional employees, officers, and agents shall not participate in the selection, award and administration of any contract to an entity in which they have a pecuniary interest or from which they derive a profit or in which a dependent of the employee has a pecuniary interest or from which the dependent derives a profit. "Dependent" includes the employee's spouse; unemancipated child, stepchild, or adopted child under the age of eighteen (18); or individual for whom the employee provides more than one-half (1/2) of the individual's support during a year. A "pecuniary interest" means an interest in a contract or purchase that will result or is intended to result in an ascertainable increase in the income or net worth of the employee or the employee's dependent who is under the direct or indirect administrative control of the professional employee or who receives a contract or purchase order that is reviewed, approved, or directly or indirectly administered by the employee.
- Professional employees, officers, and agents may not solicit or accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts.
- G. Professional employees, officers, and agents must disclose any potential conflict of interest which may lead to a violation of this policy to the School District. Upon discovery of any potential conflict of interest, the School District will disclose, in writing, the potential conflict of interest to the appropriate Federal awarding agency or, if applicable, the pass-through entity.
- The District will also disclose, in a timely manner, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity that affect a Federal award to the appropriate Federal awarding agency or, if applicable, the pass-through entity.
- H. Professional employees, officers and agents found to be in violation of this conflict of interest policy will be subject to discipline in accordance with Policy 3139 - **Staff Discipline**.

No professional staff employee may accept or engage in any employment, consulting, advising, or other professional activity with any organization other than the District, whether the employee will receive compensation for such outside activity or not, without first providing notice to the District Administrator.

In the event that, within the course of administering a Federally funded grant program or service to the District, any professional employee that identifies a conflict of interest, a potential conflict of interest, or that the appearance of a conflict of interest may arise in the course of administering the Federal grant funds, the employee must immediately notify either the Federal agency administering the grant in a manner consistent with that particular agency's rules on conflict of interests, or the District employee directly responsible for grant compliance. Such notice shall be provided at the earliest possible time.

It is a violation of this policy to take action or to refrain from taking action, or for an employee to otherwise use **his/her the employee's** public position to obtain a financial gain or anything of substantial value for **himself/herself oneself** or **his/her the employee's** immediate family, as defined in 19.42(7), Wis. Stats.

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3281 - **PERSONAL PROPERTY OF STAFF MEMBERS**

Employees may bring personal property **with administration permission**, including personal communication devices, to school either for reasons associated with **professional employment** responsibilities or for use during off-duty time (see Policy 7530.02 - Staff and School Officials Use of Personal Communication Devices) ~~in accordance with the Employee Handbook.~~ The owner of the personal property bears all responsibility and assumes all risk for loss, damage, or misuse of said personal property while it is on ~~Board District~~ property. **Administrators are authorized to direct employees to remove inappropriate personal property from District premises.**

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4124 - **LETTER NOTICE OF REASONABLE ASSURANCE OF EMPLOYMENT**

~~Support~~ Prior to the conclusion of each school year, support staff employed in instructional year positions ~~less than year-~~
~~round positions~~ shall be ~~issued~~ notified, in writing, ~~a letter~~ of reasonable assurance of continued employment for the
subsequent ~~school~~ year ~~or term~~ when such employment is anticipated.

A school year employee of an educational institution who performs services other than in an instructional, research, or
principal administrative capacity is ineligible for benefits based on such services for any week of unemployment which
occurs during a period between two (2) successive academic years or terms if the school year employee performed such
services for any educational institution in the first such year or term and there is reasonable assurance that the
employee will perform such services for any educational institution in the second such year or term.

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4214 - **STAFF GIFTS**

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The Board generally discourages the presentation of gifts to staff members by students and their parents to avoid the appearance of favoritism and to avoid embarrassment of students who are unable or whose parents are unable or unwilling to provide support staff with gifts.

Teachers may accept only gifts of nominal value (the amount as defined in Policy 4230 - Ethics and Conflict of Interest) from students and their parents, or token items often distributed by companies through their public relations or marketing programs. Other gifts must be graciously declined for compliance with this policy.

It shall not be considered a violation of this policy for an employee to receive entertainment, food, refreshments, meals, health screenings, amenities, or beverages that are provided in connection with a conference sponsored by an established or recognized educational organization, or as may be approved by the District Administrator.

Gifts that are intended for the benefit of the District shall be referred to the District Administrator for proper processing in accordance with Policy 7230 - Gifts, Grants, and Bequests.

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4230 - ETHICS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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For these reasons, the Board adopts the following guidelines designed to avoid the occurrence or appearance of any conflicts of interest. These guidelines apply to all District employees, officers, and agents, including members of the Board. These guidelines are not intended to be all-inclusive, nor to substitute for good judgment on the part of all support employees, officers, and agents. Support employees are expected to perform their duties in an ethical manner and free from an actual conflict of interest or from situations that create the appearance of a conflict of interest, in a manner consistent with 19.59, Wis. Stats. The Board's interest in enforcing this policy is to assure that the decisions and actions of public employees retain the public's trust. Therefore, even a conflict relationship that can be viewed as beneficial to the District or that was intended to be beneficial to the District, may still be a violation of this policy.

- A. No support employee, officer, or agent shall engage in or have a personal or financial or other interest, directly or indirectly, in any activity that conflicts or raises a reasonable question of conflict with ~~his/her~~ the employee's, officer's, or agent's duties and responsibilities in the school system. Specifically, support employees must perform their duties in a manner that does not violate criminal conflict of interest laws pursuant to 946.13, Wis. Stats. by having a private pecuniary interest in an amount that exceeds \$15,000, but also lesser valued conflicts that nonetheless create the appearance of using one's public position to secure a private pecuniary interest and/or benefit.
- B. Support staff employees, officers, or agents shall not directly supervise a relative employed by the District or employed in a position contracted for by the District.
- C. Support employees, officers, and agents shall not engage in business, private practice of their profession, the rendering of services, anything of substantial value, or the sale of goods of any type where advantage is taken of any professional relationship they may have with any employee, student, client, or parents of such students or clients in the course of their employment or professional relationship with the School District.

Included, by way of illustration, rather than limitation are the following:

1. the provision of any private lessons or services for a fee, unless the provision of services is arranged outside of school and is separate from and in addition to regular support provided to students as part of the staff member's regular duties;
2. soliciting on school premises or under circumstances which are coercive for the private sale of goods or services to students or other employees;
3. ~~the use, sale, or improper divulging of any privileged information about a student or client granted in the course of the employee's, officer's or agent's employment or professional relationship with the School District through his/her access to School District records~~ the use, sale, or improper divulging of any privileged information about a student or client granted in the course of the employee's, officer's or agent's employment or professional relationship with the School District through their access to School District records;

4. the referral of any student or client for lessons or services to any private business or professional practitioner if there is any expectation of reciprocal referrals, sharing of fees, or other remuneration for such referrals;
 5. the requirement of employees, students or clients to purchase any private goods or services provided by an employee, officer or agent or any business or professional practitioner with whom any employee, officer or agent has a financial or other relationship, as a condition of receiving any grades, credits, promotions, approvals, or recommendations.
- D. Should exceptions to this policy be necessary in order to provide mandatory services to students or clients of the School District, all such exceptions will be made known to the employee's supervisor and will be disclosed to the District Administrator **before** entering into any private relationship.
- E. Support employees shall not make use of materials, equipment, or facilities of the School District for their own personal financial gain or business interest. Examples would be the use of facilities before, during, or after regular business hours for service to private practice clients, or the checking out of items from an instructional materials center for private practice.
- F. Support employees, officers, and agents shall not participate in the selection, award and administration of any contract to an entity in which they have a pecuniary interest or from which they derive a profit or in which a dependent of the employee has a pecuniary interest or from which the dependent derives a profit. "Dependent" includes the employee's spouse; unemancipated child, stepchild or adopted child under the age of eighteen (18); or individual for whom the employee provides more than one-half (1/2) of the individual's support during a year. A "pecuniary interest" means an interest in a contract or purchase that will result or is intended to result in an ascertainable increase in the income or net worth of the employee or the employee's dependent who is under the direct or indirect administrative control of the support employee or who receives a contract or purchase order that is reviewed, approved, or directly or indirectly administered by the employee.
- Support employees, officers, and agents may not solicit or accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts.
- G. Support employees, officers, and agents must disclose any potential conflict of interest which may lead to a violation of this policy to the School District. Upon discovery of any potential conflict of interest, the School District will disclose, in writing, the potential conflict of interest to the appropriate Federal awarding agency or, if applicable, the pass-through entity.
- The District will also disclose, in a timely manner, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity that affect a Federal award to the appropriate Federal awarding agency or, if applicable, the pass-through entity.
- H. Support employees, officers and agents found to be in violation of this conflict of interest policy will be subject to discipline in accordance with Policy 4139 - **Staff Discipline**.

No support staff employee may accept or engage in any employment, consulting, advising, or other professional activity with any organization other than the District, whether the employee will receive compensation for such outside activity or not, without first providing notice to the District Administrator.

In the event that, within the course of administering a Federally funded grant program or service to the District, any employee that identifies a conflict of interest, a potential conflict of interest, or that the appearance of a conflict of interest may arise in the course of administering the Federal grant funds, the employee must immediately notify either the Federal agency administering the grant in a manner consistent with that particular agency's rules on conflict of interests, or the District employee directly responsible for grant compliance. Such notice shall be provided at the earliest possible time.

It is a violation of this policy to take action or to refrain from taking action, or for an employee to otherwise use **his/her the employee's** public position to obtain a financial gain or anything of substantial value for **himself/herself oneself** or **his/her the employee's** immediate family, as defined in 19.42(7), Wis. Stats.

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5113 - **OPEN ENROLLMENT PROGRAM (Inter-District)**

The District will participate in the Wisconsin Public School Open Enrollment Program in accordance with applicable law and the relevant policies and rules of the District, all as amended from time-to-time.

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions will apply to the District's Open Enrollment Program.

A. Non-Resident District

A school district located in Wisconsin which is not a student's district of residence.

B. Non-Resident Student

A student who does not reside within the geographic boundaries of the District and who seeks admission to this District under the Open Enrollment Program.

C. Tuition Student

A non-resident student who attends school in the District and pays tuition in accordance with State law.

D. Full-Time Enrollment

A student is enrolled for the entire school day and receives all of his/her required education in this District.

E. Class Size

The District's determination of the maximum number of students who can be accommodated properly in a particular classroom without jeopardizing the quality of the instructional program and mitigating circumstances for a particular school, class, or program, including enrollment projections established by the District Administrator.

F. Program Size

The enrollment or size restrictions in a specific program within a class or building. The District reserves the exclusive right to establish program size and to limit enrollment based upon the capability to properly allocate available resources, create and maintain a proper learning environment, and comply with contracts, grants, and applicable laws and regulations.

G. Resident Student

A student who is a resident of this District and is consequently entitled to attend school in this District in accordance with Policy 5111 - Eligibility of Resident/Non-resident Students.

H. Absences (Excused and Unexcused)

See Policy 5200 - Attendance.

I. Truancy and Habitual Truancy

See Policy 5200 - Attendance.

J. Part of the School Day

See Policy 5200 - Attendance.

K. Tardiness

See Policy 5200 - Attendance.

FULL-TIME OPEN ENROLLMENT

A. Annual Space Determinations

During a January meeting, the Board shall establish the availability of space by determining the number of regular education and special education spaces in the schools, programs, classes, or grades. In setting space availability, the Board may choose to set no limitations or may set limits on availability using the following criteria:

1. District practices, policies, procedures, or other factors regarding class size ranges for particular programs or classes.
2. District practices, policies, procedures, or other factors regarding faculty-student ratio ranges for particular programs, classes, or buildings.
3. Enrollment projections, which account for factors that include but are not necessarily limited to, likely short and long term economic development in the community, housing starts, current and future needs for special programs, laboratories, or other initiatives.

In establishing current enrollment numbers for open enrollment availability purposes, ~~the Board does not guarantee open enrollment approvals to any non-resident students.~~ the Board shall guarantee open enrollment approvals for all currently attending students.

4. If the Board determines that no special education space is available in any grade or program, the District must still review each student's IEP in its entirety to determine the following:
 - a. whether the District has space available in the special education and related services required in the student's IEP;
 - b. whether the District has special education and related services available as required in the student's IEP.

5.

B. Processing of Open Enrollment Applications

A parent of a nonresident student may submit an application to attend school in the District during the applicable regular open enrollment period or through the alternative open enrollment process. The application must be submitted using the form designated by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

Upon receipt of an application, the District Administrator shall confirm that the application is complete or request that it be completed before being further considered.

Parents shall be notified of the determination on their applications on or before the first Friday following the first Monday in June following receipt of the application, or within the timeframe otherwise established by law. If approved, the parent shall be notified of the approval and the specific assignment within the District. If, upon enrollment, the student is appropriately placed in a different grade level, the student shall be so assigned unless applications for that grade level have been denied or there is no longer space available at that grade level.

Any notice of a decision to deny shall include the following:

1. Specific reason(s) for denial and whether the student has been placed on the waiting list.

2. Notice of the parents' right to appeal, the address to send the appeal, and information on where to locate the form required for appeal.

Application of Space Determinations and Random Selection Process

If there are more applications than spaces, the Board will fill the available spaces by random selection. Random selection shall be conducted among the student applications for each grade level. The order of grade level selection shall also be randomly determined. The following considerations will be included in the random selection process:

1. Preferences

- a. If the Board has not guaranteed approval in its determination of space availability to currently attending students, it shall grant preference to such students in the random selection process.
- b. If the Board has not guaranteed approval in its determination of space availability to the siblings of currently attending students, it shall grant preference to such students in the random selection process.

If in any selection process there are more students eligible for preferred treatment than there are spaces available, the Board shall conduct random selection from among the students granted preference. Both currently attending students and siblings of currently attending students who are not guaranteed approval shall be granted equal preference.

2. The sibling of a student selected in the random selection process shall be granted preference to any spaces available that the sibling has applied for, but the sibling may not be approved if there are no remaining spaces for the sibling.
3. The District will establish a numbered waiting list of all applicants. When all available slots have been filled by randomly selecting names from all applicants, the remaining names will be drawn randomly and placed on the waiting list in order of selection, with those students granted a preference under this policy to be included first on the waiting list in random order followed by any other student applicants in random order.

C. Decisional Criteria for Non-Resident Applications

Decisions on non-resident open enrollment applications will be based only on the following criteria:

1. Space availability as defined in this policy.
2. Whether an applicant for a pre-kindergarten, four (4) year old kindergarten, early childhood or school operated day care program resides in a district which offers the program for which application is made.
3. Whether the non-resident student is currently under an order of expulsion for any reason; or has been expelled from any school district within the current school year or the two (2) preceding school years but the period of expulsion has ended, or is pending any disciplinary proceeding, based on any of the following activities:
 - a. Conveying or causing to be conveyed any threat or false information concerning an attempt or alleged attempt being made or to be made to destroy school property by means of explosives.
 - b. Engaging in conduct while at school or under school supervision that endangered the health, safety, or property of others.
 - c. Engaging in conduct while not at school or while not under the supervision of a school authority that endangered the health, safety, or property of others at school or under the supervision of a school authority or of any school employee or Board member.
 - d. Possessing a dangerous weapon (as defined in 939.22(10), Wis. Stats.) while on school property or under school supervision.

Notwithstanding the Board's acceptance of a non-resident student's application, the Board may withdraw acceptance if, prior to the beginning of the first school year in which the non-resident student will attend a school in the District, s/he is determined to fall under paragraph C.3.

The Board may request a copy of a non-resident student's disciplinary records from the resident school board.

The resident board shall provide to the nonresident board a copy of any expulsion order or findings, a copy of any pending disciplinary proceedings, a written explanation of said proceeding, the length of the expulsion or possible outcomes of a pending proceeding, and/or such records as permitted by law.

4. Whether the special education program or related services described in the non-resident student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) are available in the District. Whether a service is available depends on whether existing staff in the District are qualified to provide the service or whether the District has facilities and/or equipment required for the service. A service is not available in the District if that service is currently provided to resident students through contract with a third party. Whether a service is available is not a function of whether there is space available in any program or service. A service may be unavailable even if no space limitations have been established.
5. Whether there is space available in the District to provide the special education or related services identified in the non-resident student's IEP, after consideration of class size limits, student-teacher ratios, and enrollment projections.
6. Whether the non-resident student has been referred to his/her resident board under 115.777(1), Wis. Stats. or identified by his/her resident school board under 115.77(1m)(a), Wis. Stats., but not yet evaluated by an individualized education program team.
7. If a non-resident student's IEP is developed or changed after starting in the District, and it is then discovered that the District does not have necessary programs available or does not have space in the special education program, the District may notify the student's parent and the student's resident board. If such notice is provided, the non-resident may be transferred to his/her resident school district.
8. If the Board has made a determination that a non-resident student attending the District under the Open Enrollment Program is habitually truant from the District during either semester of the current school year, the Board may prohibit the student from attending in the succeeding semester or school year, after complying with the requirements of PI 36.09(2).

The habitual truancy determination shall be made on the sole basis of enrollment in the non-resident district. Open enrollment may not be denied based on the student's truancy from any other district.

D. Reapplication Procedures

The Board will not require accepted non-resident students to reapply under the open enrollment policy as long as the student is continuously enrolled in the District.

E. Termination of Open Enrollment

If the Board determines that a student is habitually truant during either semester of the current school year, the Board may prohibit the nonresident student from attending in the succeeding semester or school year. The District Administrator shall assure compliance with DPI regulations pertaining to open enrollment termination found in Wis. Admin Code PI 36.09.

If the parent or nonresident student believes the student has been marked absent, tardy, or truant in error, the parent or student may contact the school attendance officer and provide a written explanation of the circumstances believed to be in error. The attendance officer shall review the matter and provide a response to the parent or student either correcting the attendance record, confirming the accuracy of the record, or requesting additional information upon which a decision will then be made. If additional information is requested, it must be provided within five (5) school days of the request or no additional information will be considered in the decision.

Open enrollment of a student in a virtual charter school may also be terminated if, on three (3) occasions during a single semester, the student has failed to respond to a school assignment or directive within five (5) school days not counting any days excused by the student's parents up to a maximum of ten (10) school days per year, and after each occurrence the virtual charter school notified the student's parents. After the third incident, the virtual charter school program shall notify the Board of the nonresident student's failure to participate in the program. The Board may terminate the student's open enrollment.

F. Transportation

The parents of a student attending a non-resident school district will be solely responsible for providing transportation to and from the school site. The District will permit a non-resident student to ride District

transportation if space is available on a regularly-scheduled bus route and the student is picked up or dropped off within our District boundaries. The District will provide transportation for a non-resident student with an identified disability for whom transportation is required by his/her IEP.

ALTERNATIVE APPLICATION PROCEDURES

The parent of a non-resident student who wishes to attend a school in the District may apply at any time throughout the year by submitting an application under the alternative application procedure if the student satisfies at least one (1) of the statutory criteria and has not applied to more than three (3) non-resident school districts.

Applications from a non-resident student under the alternative application procedures received after the Board's January meeting, at which it sets open enrollment space availability numbers for the subsequent year, may be approved for the current year if the Board has not imposed a space limitation for the student's current year grade level and also has not imposed a space limitation for the subsequent school year in the student's subsequent grade level. Alternative applications received prior to the 3rd Friday in September may be approved if the Board has approved all applications for that grade level that were received during the regular period, including the offer of enrollment to applicants placed on the waiting list, if any.

REVIEW AND REVISION OF POLICY

If, in the course of reviewing the Board's Open Enrollment Program, it opts to modify the policy, any changes shall be made by resolution and be adopted prior to the first application date of the open enrollment period to which the revisions shall apply.

General Provisions

- A. A student, who has been accepted under this program, who has not met the academic prerequisites for participation in a particular program in which the student wishes to enroll shall not be placed in that program.
- B. The District's Policy 2260 – Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity shall apply to all applicants under this program. In addition, the District will not discriminate on the basis of an applicant's intellectual, academic, artistic, athletic, or other ability, talent, or accomplishment, or based on a mental or physical disability, except as provided for in the statute authorizing this program.

Application of Emergency Orders

All timelines or other procedures described in this policy and in any implementing administrative guidelines are subject to modification in the event that the State or Federal government issues emergency or other temporary orders affecting any of the subject matter of this policy. The policy automatically incorporates the contents of any such order or proclamation, including any discretionary authority provided, and delegates by policy the authority to exercise that discretion to the District Administrator.

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5136 - **PERSONAL COMMUNICATION DEVICES**

"Personal communication devices" ("PCDs") as used in this policy are defined in Bylaw 0100.

Students in grades 9-12 may use PCDs before and after school, during their lunch break, in between classes as long as they do not create a distraction, disruption, or otherwise interfere with the educational environment, during after-school activities (e.g., extra-curricular activities), or at school-related functions. Use of PCDs, except those approved by a teacher or administrator, at any other time is prohibited and they must be powered completely off (i.e., not just placed into vibrate or silent mode) and stored out of sight. Elementary students and students in grades 6-8 may not use PCDs during the school day.

However, technology including, but not limited to, PCDs intended and actually used for instructional purposes (e.g., taking notes, recording classroom lectures, writing papers) will be permitted, as approved by the classroom teacher or the building principal. The use of a PCD to engage in non-education-related communications is expressly prohibited.

Students may not use PCDs on school property or at a school-sponsored activity to access and/or view Internet websites that are otherwise blocked to students at school.

Students may use PCDs while riding to and from school on a school bus or other Board-provided vehicles or on a school bus or Board-provided vehicle during school-sponsored activities, at the discretion of the bus driver, classroom teacher, or sponsor/advisor/coach. Distracting behavior that creates an unsafe environment will not be tolerated.

During after-school activities, PCDs shall be powered completely off (not just placed into vibrate or silent mode) and stored out of sight when directed by the administrator or sponsor.

Under certain circumstances, a student may keep his/her PCD "On" with prior approval from the building principal.

Except as authorized by a teacher, administrator, or IEP team, students are prohibited from using PCDs during the school day, including while off-campus on a field trip, to capture, record, and/or transmit the words or sounds (i.e., audio) and/or images (i.e., pictures/video) of any student, staff member or other person. Using a PCD to capture, record, and/or transmit audio and/or pictures/video of an individual without proper consent is considered an invasion of privacy and is not permitted. Students who violate this provision and/or use a PCD to violate the privacy rights of another person may have their PCD confiscated and held until the end of the school day or a parent picks it up and may be directed to delete the audio and/or picture/video file while the parent is present. If the violation involves potentially illegal activity, the confiscated PCD may be turned over to law enforcement.

PCDs, with cameras or any other recording capabilities, may not be activated or utilized at any time in any school situation where a reasonable expectation of personal privacy exists. These locations and circumstances include, but are not limited to, classrooms, gymnasiums, locker rooms, shower facilities, rest/bathrooms, and any other areas where students or others may change clothes or be in any stage or degree of disrobing or changing clothes. The District Administrator and building principals are authorized to determine other specific locations and situations where the use of a PCD is absolutely prohibited.

Students shall have no expectation of confidentiality with respect to their use of PCDs on school premises/property.

Students may not use a PCD in any way that might reasonably create in the mind of another person an impression of being threatened, humiliated, harassed, embarrassed, or intimidated. See Policy 5517.01 – Bullying. In particular, students are prohibited from using PCDs to: 1) transmit material that is threatening, obscene, disruptive, or sexually explicit or that can be construed as harassment or disparagement of others based upon their race, color, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation/transgender identity), disability, age, religion, ancestry, or political beliefs; and 2) engage in "sexting" - i.e., sending, receiving, sharing, viewing, or possessing pictures, text messages, e-mails or other materials of a sexual nature in electronic or any other form. Violation of these prohibitions shall result in disciplinary action. Furthermore, such actions will be reported to local law enforcement and child services as required by law.

Students are also prohibited from using a PCD to capture, record, and/or transmit test information or any other information in a manner constituting fraud, theft, cheating, or academic dishonesty. Likewise, students are prohibited from using PCDs to receive such information.

Possession of a PCD by a student at school during school hours and/or during extra-curricular activities is a privilege that may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the terms of this policy, or otherwise abuses this privilege.

Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action and/or confiscation of the PCD. The building principal will also refer the matter to law enforcement or child services if the violation involves an illegal activity (e.g., child pornography, sexting). Discipline will be imposed on an escalating scale ranging from a warning to an expulsion based on the number of previous violations and/or the nature of or circumstances surrounding a particular violation. If the PCD is confiscated, it will be released/returned to the student's parent after the student complies with any other disciplinary consequences that are imposed, unless the violation involves potentially illegal activity in which case the PCD may be turned over to law enforcement. A confiscated device will be marked in a removable manner with the student's name and held in a secure location in the building's central office until it is retrieved by the parent or turned over to law enforcement. School officials will not search or otherwise tamper with PCDs in District custody unless they reasonably suspect that the search is required to discover evidence of a violation of the law or other school rules. Any search will be conducted in accordance with Policy 5771 - Search and Seizure. If multiple offenses occur, a student may lose his/her privilege to bring a PCD to school for a designated length of time or on a permanent basis.

A person who discovers a student using a PCD in violation of this policy is required to report the violation to the building principal.

Students are personally and solely responsible for the care and security of their PCDs. The Board assumes no responsibility for theft, loss, or damage to, or misuse or unauthorized use of, PCDs brought onto its property.

Parents are advised that the best way to get in touch with their child during the school day is by calling the school office.

Students may use school phones to contact parents during the school day.

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5330 - ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION/EMERGENCY CARE

The Board shall not be responsible for the diagnosis and treatment of student illness. The administration of medication to a student during school hours will be permitted only when failure to do so would jeopardize the health of the student, the student would not be able to attend school if the medication were not administered during school hours, or a student with disabilities requires medication to benefit from the student's educational program.

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions shall be used:

"Practitioner" shall include any physician, naturopathic doctor, dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, physician assistant, and advanced practice nurse prescriber who is licensed in any state.

"Medication" shall include all drugs including those prescribed by a practitioner and any nonprescription drug products.

"Administer" means the direct application of a nonprescription drug product or prescription drug, whether by injection, ingestion, or other means, to the human body.

"Nonprescription drug product" means any non-narcotic drug product that may be sold without a prescription order and which is prepackaged for use by consumers and labeled in accordance with the requirements of State and Federal law.

Administration of Prescription Drug Products by School Staff

Before any prescribed medication may be administered to any student during school hours, the Board shall require the written instructions from the child's practitioner accompanied by the written authorization of the parent. Such documentation shall be kept on file in the school office **or** nurse's office. Prescription medication must be provided in the original container with the prescription label showing the name and telephone number of the pharmacy, the student's name, the name of the physician, the name of the drug, and the dosage to be administered.

All prescription medication shall be secured and appropriately stored (allowing for quick access and retrieval before, during, and after school hours), unless the medication is an emergency medication that the student is authorized to carry by Administration and self-administer by authorization of both the student's parent(s) and practitioner, and the possession of such medication by the student in school is not prohibited by law or regulation.

Administration of Nonprescription Drug Products by School Staff

Nonprescription drug products may be administered to any student during school hours only with the prior written consent of the parent. Such documentation shall be kept on file in the school office **or** nurse's office. Substances, that are not FDA approved (i.e., natural products, food supplements), will require the written instruction of a practitioner and the written consent of the parent. Nonprescription drugs that are provided by the parent may be administered by school staff only if the nonprescription drugs are supplied in the original manufacturer's package which lists the ingredients, recommended therapeutic dosage in a legible format, and the student's name. If a parent has completed the appropriate form authorizing the school to administer nonprescription drugs (e.g., acetaminophen, ibuprofen, diphenhydramine), the student may receive such drugs from the school's supply consistent with the parental authorization and the nonprescription drug dosage information. Any dosage of nonprescription medication other than that listed on the medication's packaging must be authorized in writing by a medical practitioner.

Student Possession of Medication

Students are prohibited from possessing, using, carrying, or distributing in school, at school-sponsored events, or on school grounds any drugs or other products which, even though not defined as a drug, are used or marketed for use for medicinal purposes, such as to relieve pain or to relieve the symptoms of an underlying medical condition (including aspirin, ibuprofen, dietary supplements, CBD oil products, etc.). The provisions of this policy are to be viewed together with the Board policy on Drug Prevention, Policy 5530.

CBD Products at Schools

No CBD products are permitted for use at school or at school-sponsored events.

Use of Essential Oils

All students wishing to use essential oils in the school must seek prior approval from administration.

General Provisions

Parents may administer medication at school or at school-sponsored events.

No student is allowed to provide or sell any type of medication to another student. Violations of this rule will be considered violations of the Student Code of Conduct and Policy 5530 - Student Use or Possession of Intoxicants, Drugs, or Paraphernalia.

Any bus driver, staff member, or volunteer, authorized in writing by the District Administrator, is immune from liability for their acts or omissions in administering medication including, but not limited to glucagon, an opioid antagonist, and epinephrine unless the act or omission constitutes a high degree of negligence and, in the case of any staff member or volunteer who administers an opioid antagonist, the staff member or volunteer contacts emergency medical services as soon as practicable after administering the drug to report the suspected overdose. Such immunity does not apply to healthcare professionals.

The Board shall permit the administration by staff of any medication requiring a delivery method other than oral ingestion when both the medication and the procedure are prescribed by a practitioner and the delivery is under the supervision of a licensed nurse, provided that the staff member has completed any necessary training and that staff member voluntarily agrees to deliver the medication. No staff member, other than a health care professional, may be required to administer medications that are administered by means other than oral ingestion.

Any staff member or volunteer who, in good faith, renders emergency care to a student is immune from civil liability for his/her acts or omissions in rendering such emergency care.

Any administrator or principal who authorizes an employee or volunteer to administer a nonprescription drug product or prescription drug to a student is immune from civil liability for the act of authorization unless it constitutes a high degree of negligence or the administrator or principal authorizes a person who has not received the required Department of Public Instruction training to administer the nonprescription drug product or prescription drug to a student. School nurses, as District employees, are regulated by the Wisconsin Nurse Practice Act and are therefore not necessarily immune from civil liability.

Any time a student, or a group of students, participates in a school event not on District premises, District staff responsible for organizing and/or supervising the event will take steps so that Emergency Medical Information Forms, Health Plans, or Section 504 Plans are available in the event of an emergency. This includes, and is not limited to, all school-sponsored or school-related activities, including music trips, athletic trips, field trips, and academic contests. This does not include student spectators at events.

Epinephrine Auto-Injectors

The Board intends to adopt and maintain a plan for managing students with life-threatening allergies so as to permit each school to obtain a school prescription for epinephrine auto-injectors and to permit each school nurse and designated school personnel to administer them. Accordingly, the Board directs the school nursing staff, in consultation with the District Administrator, to develop a plan that meets the following:

- A. specifies those designated school personnel that have agreed to receive training and that will be trained and authorized to perform the functions of the plan;

- B. identifies the specific training program that will be implemented to prepare each school nurse and designated school personnel to identify the signs of anaphylaxis and to provide or administer epinephrine auto-injectors accordingly;
- C. delineates the permissible scope of usage to include providing District-owned epinephrine auto-injectors to students who have a prescription on file with the school in the event the student is experiencing an anaphylactic event and/or administering epinephrine auto-injectors to such students, and/or administering epinephrine auto-injector treatment to any student, regardless of whether the student has a prescription on file or the staff member so trained is not aware of whether the student has a prescription on file, but believes in good faith the student is suffering from anaphylaxis, provided that the staff member immediately contacts emergency medical services;
- D. identifies the number and type of epinephrine auto-injectors each school will keep on-site and identifies a member of the nursing staff or other school official who will be responsible for maintaining the epinephrine auto-injectors supply;
- E. is approved by a physician licensed in the State of Wisconsin;
- F. notes that the school and any school nurse or designated school personnel that provide or administer epinephrine auto-injectors under this plan are immune from civil liability for any harm that may result, regardless of whether there is a parental or medical provider authorization unless the administration was a result of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct;
- G. is published on the District's website or the website of each school.

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~~5341~~ — EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

~~The District will distribute annually to parents of all students the Emergency Medical Authorization Form via their Student Information System (SIS). In the event emergency medical treatment for a student is necessary, the District will adhere to the instructions on the authorization form.~~

~~The Emergency Medical Authorization Form will be kept in a separate, easily accessible, physical or electronic file in each school building or student management system during the school year.~~

~~Any time a student or a group of students is taken out of the District to participate in a school event, the staff in charge of the event must take the Emergency Medical Forms for those students. This includes, and is not limited to, students involved in music trips, athletic trips, field trips, and academic contests. This does not include student spectators at events.~~

~~Whenever it is necessary for staff members to use emergency procedures in order to care properly for a student, they are to follow Policy 5340 — Student Accidents/Illness/Concussion & Sudden Cardiac Arrest and are not to abide by any "Do Not Resuscitate" (DNR) agreement that may exist for a student, unless ordered to do so by a court of law.~~

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5512 - USE OF TOBACCO AND NICOTINE BY STUDENTS

The Board recognizes that the use of tobacco products, as well as other nicotine delivery systems, such as electronic smoking devices, are a health, safety, and environmental hazard for students, staff, visitors, and school facilities. The Board is acutely aware of the serious health risks associated with the use of these products, both to users and non-users, and that their use or promotion on school grounds and at off-campus school-sponsored events is detrimental to the health and safety of students, staff, and visitors. The Board also believes accepting tobacco industry gifts or materials will send an inconsistent message to students, staff, and visitors.

It shall be a violation of this policy for any student of the District to use, consume, display, promote, or sell any tobacco products, tobacco industry brand, tobacco-related devices, imitation tobacco products, or electronic smoking or vaping devices, regardless of content, including smoking as defined in this policy, at any time on school property or at off-campus, school-sponsored events.

It shall be a violation of this policy for the District to solicit or accept any contributions, gifts, money, curricula, or materials from the tobacco industry or from any tobacco products retailer. This includes, but is not limited to, donations, monies for sponsorship, advertising, promotions, loans, or support for equipment, uniforms, and sports and/or training facilities. It shall be a violation of this policy to participate in any type of service funded by the tobacco industry while in the scope of employment for the District.

Exceptions

It shall not be a violation of this policy for tobacco products, tobacco-related devices, imitation tobacco products, or lighters to be included in instructional or work-related activities in school buildings if the activity is conducted by a staff member or an approved visitor and the activity does not include smoking, chewing, or otherwise ingesting the product.

The prohibition on the use of other products containing nicotine, including, but not limited to, nicotine patches and nicotine gum may be removed when a parent or "adult" student provides documentation from a licensed medical practitioner that the student's use of non-tobacco nicotine products is being medically supervised for the cessation of a nicotine addiction and the student complies with Policy 5330 - Administration of Medication.

Instruction in the history and purpose of traditional tobacco that has been used as a part of faith and tradition in the Native American and American Indian communities is an exception to this policy. **Nothing in this policy is intended to infringe upon the legitimate exercise of cultural beliefs or ceremonial representations. In the event of a potential conflict between the Board's policy prohibiting the use or possession of nicotine containing products and a student's exercise of cultural traditions, the administration shall consult with appropriate community representatives to apply this policy in a manner that respects such cultural significance.**

Policy Specific Definitions

The term "any time" means during normal school and non-school hours: twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.

The term "electronic smoking device" means any product containing or delivering nicotine, or any other substance, whether natural or synthetic, intended for human consumption through the inhalation of aerosol or vapor from the product. The term electronic smoking device includes, but is not limited to, devices manufactured, marketed, or sold as e-cigarettes, e-

cigars, e-pipes, vape pens, mods, tank systems, JUUL, or under any other product name or descriptor. The term electronic smoking device includes any component part of a product, whether or not marketed or sold separately, including but not limited to e-liquids, e-juice, cartridges, and pods.

The term "imitation tobacco product" means any edible non-tobacco product designed to resemble a tobacco product, or non-edible, non-tobacco product designed to resemble a tobacco product that is intended to be used by children as a toy. Examples of imitation tobacco products include but are not limited to: candy or chocolate cigarettes, bubble gum cigars, shredded bubble gum resembling chewing tobacco, pouches containing flavored substances packaged similar to snuff, shredded beef jerky in containers resembling snuff tins, plastic cigars, and puff cigarettes.

The term "off-campus, school-sponsored event" means any event sponsored by the school or School District that is not on school property, including but not limited to, sporting events, day camps, field trips, entertainment seminars, dances or theatrical productions.

The term "school property" means all facilities and property, including land, whether owned, rented, or leased by the District, and all vehicles owned, leased, rented, contracted for, or controlled by the District used for transported students, staff and visitors.

The term "smoking" means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette or pipe, or any other lighted or heated product containing, made, or derived from nicotine, tobacco, marijuana, or other plant, whether natural or synthetic, that is intended for inhalation. This specifically includes marijuana and hemp plant derived substances, whether or not legally sold in Wisconsin, including CBD products, Delta 8 THC, Delta 9 THC, or any other variation thereof. "Smoking" also includes carrying or using an activated electronic smoking device.

The term "tobacco product" means any product containing, made, or derived from tobacco or that contains nicotine, whether synthetic or natural, that is intended for human consumption, whether chewed, smoked, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means, or any component, part, or accessory of a tobacco product, including but not limited to, cigarettes; electronic smoking devices; cigars; little cigars; cheroots; stogies; periques; granulated, plug cut, crimp cut, ready rubbed, and other smoking tobacco; pouches, snuff; snuff flour; cavendish; plug and twist tobacco; fine-cut and other chewing tobacco; shorts; refuse scraps, clippings, cuttings and sweepings of tobacco, and other kinds and forms of tobacco.

The term "tobacco products retailer" means retailers whose primary business is to sell tobacco and/or tobacco-related products.

The term "tobacco industry" means manufacturers, distributors, or wholesalers of tobacco products, electronic smoking devices, or tobacco-related devices; this includes parent companies and subsidiaries.

The term "tobacco industry brand" means any corporate name, trademark, logo, symbol, motto, selling message, recognizable pattern of colors, or any other indication of product identification identical or similar to those used for any brand of tobacco product, company, or manufacturer of tobacco products.

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~~5611 — DUE PROCESS RIGHTS~~

~~The Board of Education recognizes the importance of safeguarding a student's constitutional rights, particularly when subject to the District's disciplinary procedures.~~

~~To better ensure appropriate due process is provided a student, the Board establishes the following guidelines:~~

~~A. Students subject to suspension:~~

~~The suspended student, and if a minor, the parent of the suspended minor student shall be given notice of the suspension and the reason for the suspension. The student or the student's parents may within five (5) school days following the beginning of the suspension, have a conference with the District Administrator. This conference will serve as the opportunity for the student to respond to the charges against him/her. If the Administrator finds that the student was suspended unfairly or unjustly or that the student suffered undue consequences as the result of suspension, the student's record shall be expunged.~~

~~B. Students subject to expulsion:~~

~~Prior to expelling a student, the Board must hold a hearing. A student and his/her parent must be given written notice of the intention to expel and the reasons therefor, at least five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing. The hearing is the opportunity for the student and his/her parent to appear with a representative or legal counsel before the Board to answer the charges. The Board will keep written minutes of the hearing. The hearing will be closed. The student and/or his/her parent may appeal the expulsion consistent with Chapter 120.13, Wis. Stats.~~

~~The District Administrator shall establish procedures to ensure that all members of the staff use the above guidelines when dealing with students. In addition, this statement of due process rights should be placed in all student handbooks in a manner that will facilitate understanding by students and their parents.~~

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~~5710~~ **STUDENT COMPLAINTS**

~~The Board recognizes that, as citizens, students have the right to request redress of complaints. Further, the Board believes that the inculcation of respect for lawful procedures is an important part of the educational process. Accordingly, individual and group complaints should be provided for and appropriate appeal procedures implemented.~~

~~The Board or its employees will hear the complaints of the students of this District provided that such complaints are made according to procedures established by the District Administrator. Multiple policies provide complaint procedures available to students which include but may not be limited to:~~

- ~~A. Policy 5517.01 Bullying;~~
- ~~B. Policy 2260.01 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability;~~
- ~~C. Policy 2260 Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity;~~
- ~~D. Policy 5517 Student Anti Harassment; and~~
- ~~E. Policy 9130 Public Requests, Suggestions, or Complaints.~~

~~If a student has a complaint which does not appear to fit any of the above categories or another adopted policy of the Board, the student should present the complaint to the student's Principal or the District Administrator for review and response.~~

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6231 - BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION

The Board places the responsibility of administering the budget, once adopted, with the District Administrator.

The District Administrator is authorized to proceed with making financial commitments, purchases, and other expenditures within limits provided in the Board-approved budget, limitations stated in Board policies, and within legal authority expressed in State statutes.

Listings of expenditures, appropriate financial reports, and budget comparison reports shall be submitted monthly to the Board to keep members informed as to the status of the budget and overall financial condition of the District. Once each month, the Board minutes shall include a statement of the receipts and expenditures in the aggregate and beginning and ending balances.

If, during the fiscal year, it appears to the District Administrator that actual revenues are less than estimated revenues, including the available equity upon which the appropriations from the fund were based, the District Administrator shall present to the Board recommended amendments to the budget that will prevent unplanned expenditures from exceeding revenues Fund Balance reserves. S/HeThe District Administrator shall ensure that such make recommendations shall be in accordance with requirements of the law and provisions of negotiated agreements. Such budget amendments must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3's) affirmative vote of the entire membership of the Board.

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6235 - FUND BALANCE

The Board places the responsibility of administering the budget, once adopted, with the District Administrator. The District Administrator shall monitor the Fund 10 fund balance and shall report the balance to the Board at the end of each budget year. The Fund 10 fund balance shall be maintained at a level sufficient to ~~minimize or avoid short term borrowing for cash flow purposes.~~

- A. minimize or avoid short-term borrowing for cash flow purposes;
- B. cover unforeseen expenditure needs or unrealized revenue sources; and
- C. demonstrate financial stability to preserve or enhance the District's bond rating, thereby lowering debt issuance costs.

Fund balances will be reported in the categories established by the Government Accounting Standards Board Statement 54 (GASB 54) and in consultation with District auditors. The Board will impose constraints on any funds placed in the committed and assigned classifications through consultation with the District's auditor. The applicable categories for fund balance designations are:

- A. **Nonspendable Fund Balance** - amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in a spendable form (which includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash – e.g., inventories or prepaid amounts) or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact (e.g., the corpus of an endowment fund).
- B. **Restricted Fund Balance** - amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation.
- C. **Committed Fund Balance** - amounts constrained to specific purposes by the Board; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board takes action to remove or change the constraint.
- D. **Assigned Fund Balance** - amounts the Board *intends* to use for a specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed; intent can be expressed by the Board or by an official or committee to which the Board delegates the authority.
- E. **Unassigned Fund Balance** - amounts that are available for any purpose; these amounts are reported only in the general fund.

A reasonable level of assigned and unassigned fund balance is considered necessary to maintain cash flow. The Government Finance Office Association generally recommends a minimum of two (2) months of annual expenditures be available as assigned or unassigned. Maintenance of excessive unassigned fund balance would be discouraged.

If during the fiscal year, it appears to the District Administrator that the fund balance will be less than estimated, the District Administrator will bring forward for Board consideration recommendations that will protect the fund balances. Such recommendations shall be in accordance with the requirements of the law.

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6620 - **PETTY CASH**

The Board of Education recognizes the convenience afforded the day-by-day operation of the schools by the establishment of one (1) or more petty cash funds. The Board shall require the imposition of such District Administrator shall be responsible for the implementation and maintenance of such controls as will prevent abuse of such petty cash funds.

~~Each custodian of a petty cash fund shall ensure that the funds in his/her care shall be disbursed only for minor expenditures not readily deferred. No petty cash fund may be used to circumvent the purchasing procedures required by law and the policies of this Board. A request for petty cash funds must be made in writing, be signed by the person making the request, and include such supporting documentation as may be appropriate. The petty cash box must be secured daily.~~

All petty cash funds will be closed out for audit at the end of the school year, and unused funds will be returned to the depository General Fund.

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7410 - **MAINTENANCE**

The Board of Education recognizes that the fixed capital assets of this District represent a significant investment of this community and their maintenance of those accounts is of prime concern to the Board.

The Board directs the conduct of a continuous program of inspection, maintenance, and rehabilitation for the preservation of all school buildings and equipment, and District grounds. Wherever possible and feasible, maintenance shall be preventive.

The District Administrator, in consultation with the Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Maintenance, shall develop for implementation within budget allocations approved by the Board by the custodial and maintenance staff, a maintenance program which that shall include:

- A. a regular summer program of facilities repair and conditioning;
- B. the maintenance of a critical spare parts inventory;
- C. an equipment replacement program;
- D. a long-range program of building facilities refurbishment and modernization;
- E. repair or replacement of equipment or facilities for energy conservation, safety, or other environmental factors.

The District Administrator shall develop and provide to the Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Maintenance such guidelines as may be necessary for the ongoing maintenance and good order of the physical plant and for the expeditious repair of those conditions which threaten the safety of the occupants or the integrity of the plant. Such guidelines are to include provision for Handicapped Parking Disabled parking spaces and signs, which conform to in conformance with State law, shall be provided where deemed necessary.

Said guidelines shall include the establishment of sound priorities among the requests for repairs received from building principals.

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7430 - **SAFETY STANDARDS**

The Board believes that the employees and students of this District, as well as visitors, are entitled to function in an environment as free from hazards as can reasonably be provided. In this regard and in accordance with law, the Board will provide reasonable and adequate protection to the lives, safety, and health of its employees, students, and visitors.

The District Administrator shall be responsible for the maintenance of standards in the facilities to prevent accidents and to minimize their consequences. ~~S/He~~**The District Administrator** shall designate an employee who shall conduct periodic audits of health and safety conditions within the facilities of the District in accordance with the Federal OSHA standards adopted by the State through the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Protective Services (DSPS), and take appropriate action on any violations ~~thereof discovered during such audits.~~ **Reports of violations and remediation actions shall be provided** and report such actions to the District Administrator **who shall keep the Board informed of significant issues.**

In the event an inspection is made by a representative of the State **and a violation is indicated on the inspection report**, the District Administrator shall report the ~~results thereof~~ **violation(s) and corrective action(s)** to the Board **no later than** at the meeting following the receipt of the State report.

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7440.02 - **SMART SENSOR AND MONITORING EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY**

In order to protect students and faculty, promote security and protect the health, welfare and safety of students, staff and visitors, the Board authorizes the use of smart sensor and electronic monitoring equipment on school property, and in school buildings and school buses. Smart sensor and monitoring technology uses devices that can sense, collect, and process a variety of environmental information. Information obtained through smart sensor devices may be used to identify intruders and persons breaking the law, Board policy, or the Student Code of Conduct (i.e., it may be used as evidence in disciplinary actions and criminal proceedings).

The monitoring of actions and behavior of individuals who come onto school property is a significant factor in maintaining order and discipline and protecting students, staff, visitors, and school and student property. Smart sensor monitoring systems serve to complement other means being employed in the District to promote and foster a safe and secure teaching and learning environment for students and staff. The Board recognizes that the use of a smart sensor monitoring system does not replace the need for the ongoing vigilance of the school staff assigned by the building principal to monitor and supervise the school building. Rather, the smart sensor monitoring system serves as an appropriate and useful tool with which to augment or support the in-person supervision provided by staff. The building principal is responsible for verifying that due diligence is observed in maintaining general campus safety and security.

The District Administrator is responsible for determining where to install and operate fixed-location smart sensor monitoring equipment in the District. The determination of where and when to use smart sensor equipment will be made in a nondiscriminatory manner. Smart sensor equipment may be placed in designated areas in school buildings (e.g., school hallways, restrooms, classrooms, locker rooms, entryways, the front office where students, employees, and visitors are permitted to freely come and go, gymnasiums, cafeterias, libraries).

Any person who takes action to block, move, or alter the location of a smart sensor shall be subject to disciplinary action.

Any information obtained from smart sensor monitoring systems may only be used to support the orderly operation of the ~~School~~ District's schools and facilities, and for law enforcement purposes, and not for any other purposes. As such, information obtained through the use of smart sensor equipment may be used as evidence in any disciplinary proceedings, administrative proceedings or criminal proceedings, subject to Board policy ~~and regulations~~.

Smart sensor technology is to be implemented in accordance with this policy and ~~the any~~ related guidelines. The Board will not accept or tolerate the improper use of smart sensor ~~equipment and monitoring technology~~ and will take appropriate action in any cases of wrongful use of ~~this policy~~ such technology.

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7440 - **FACILITY SECURITY**

Promoting the safety of students, staff and others in the school buildings, as well as providing for the protection of the significant financial investment in the District's buildings is a critical function of the Board. Proper safety measures are to be implemented to protect those who use the buildings and to protect the buildings and equipment owned by the Board from theft and vandalism in order to maintain the optimum conditions for carrying out the educational program.

The District Administrator shall develop and supervise the District's School Safety Plan, in compliance with State and Federal laws, as described in Policy 8420 - School Safety.

~~Every effort shall be made to~~ Law enforcement shall be contacted and District officials shall fully cooperate with law enforcement's efforts to apprehend those who knowingly cause ~~serious~~ physical harm to students, staff, visitors, and Board property and to ~~require~~ request prosecution of those who bring harm to persons and/or property. The Board will seek to repair the damage or seek the payment of a fee to cover such repairs.

The Board authorizes the District Administrator to conduct searches of non-student visitors or vehicles on school property when there is a reasonable suspicion of violation of the law or school rules, and the search is reasonable in scope related to the objectives of the search and not excessively intrusive.

~~Appropriate authorities may be contacted in the case of serious offenses.~~

The District Administrator is authorized to utilize metal detectors (e.g., walk through detectors and hand-held wands), video surveillance/electronic monitoring equipment, and other security devices on school property in order to protect the health, welfare and safety of students, staff, visitors and Board property in school buildings &/or on District property.

The District Administrator shall report to the Board no later than the next regular Board meeting, any significant incident involving vandalism, theft, personal safety or other security risks and the measures being taken to address the situation.

Public Access to School Facilities

The Board expects that during regular school hours only students and school staff need to be present in the school building. The Board also acknowledges that there will be times during the instructional day that members of the public, including parents, invited guests, or other individuals will for appropriate and legitimate reasons require entry into a school facility. In such cases, the following guidelines shall be followed:

- A. All exterior doors to every school building shall be locked during the instructional day, preventing entry into the building and all visitors to the school building during those times will be directed to a single entrance into the building. This entrance shall be the entrance closest to the school office. Visitors must identify themselves and the purpose of their visit to the school through the intercom system.
- B. All persons other than students and building staff shall check in with the school office of the building and shall complete a visitor log. Each visitor shall be given a visitor tag that shall be worn at all times while in the building.
- C. Visitors that intend to visit a classroom during the instructional day must be escorted to the classroom by either a staff member or, if age appropriate, a student from the class. School office staff must contact the classroom teacher

to verify that the visitor is expected.

D. All visitors are expected to sign out prior to departing the building.

E. Outside of instructional times, no person other than a staff member may be in any school buildings except for attendance at a public function (such as a sporting event) or based on an approved facility use request pursuant to Policy 7510 - Use of District Facilities.

Any visitor to the school may be refused entry or asked to leave the building at any time if the building administrator or event supervisor determines that the visitor's presence is disruptive or is likely to become disruptive to the educational environment, including all school-sponsored events, or for other safety or security reasons. If a visitor refuses to leave upon request by the building administrator or event supervisor, the building administrator or event supervisor shall contact the school resource officer or local law enforcement as appropriate. No staff member should attempt to physically remove a visitor unless the visitor poses an imminent safety threat.

Failure to follow the requirements above when entering or remaining in school facilities may be subjected to a fine not exceeding \$1,000. In circumstances tending to provoke a disturbance of the peace, persons may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than ninety (90) days.

Any school staff member that witnesses a visitor in the school building who is not wearing a visitor tag as required shall report the visitor's presence to the school office. In the event the school office does not have a record of such visitor properly checking in, the office staff shall immediately contact an Administrator or, if an Administrator is not available, the school resource officer, if applicable, or appropriate law enforcement.

Parents as Visitors

The Board encourages parental involvement in the education of students in the District. For this reason, it is important to facilitate the involvement of parents in school activities and the educational process while at the same time preserving the integrity of the educational environment for all students. As a balance, the Board adopts the following requirements for parents visiting the school during the instructional day:

A. Parents should make arrangements with their child's teacher or with the building administrator in advance of visiting their child at school unless that is not possible.

B. Parents, like any other visitor, must enter the building through only the approved visitor entrance and shall check in at the school office in the same fashion as a visitor.

Parents visiting District schools shall comply with Policy 9150 - School Visitors, and other relevant policies.

Parents ~~that~~^{who} do not follow these guidelines or whose presence is disruptive to the educational environment may be asked to leave the building by the building administrator. Any decision to permanently restrict access of a parent may only be made by the District Administrator due to repeated failure to follow rules causing a disruption to the educational environment or for overt threats of harm or actual physical contact with any staff or student.

Court Imposed Restrictions

In any case in which an individual is the subject of a court order restricting the individual's presence at a school building, including any restrictions on the individual's physical proximity to an individual that is a student or staff member at the school facility, the building administrator shall inform staff of the situation and if any staff member sees the individual on school premises that staff member shall immediately contact law enforcement and the school office.

Sex Offenders on School Property

Any person ~~that~~^{who} is a registered sex offender under Wisconsin Law is required to notify the District Administrator of the specific date, time and place of the person's visit to any school facility and must notify the District Administrator of their status as a registered sex offender.

Parents of students enrolled in the District must notify the District Administrator of their status as a registered sex offender and that they have a child enrolled in the District. Notification must occur at the beginning of each school year or at the time the individual is required to register or whenever the child is first enrolled, whichever occurs first.

Notification requirements do not apply if the person will be on school grounds to vote in an election or to attend a non-school sponsored event occurring on the school grounds.

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7540.03 - **STUDENT TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE AND SAFETY**

Technology has fundamentally altered the ways in which information is accessed, communicated, and transferred in society. As a result, educators are continually adapting their means and methods of instruction, and the way they approach student learning to incorporate the vast, diverse, and unique resources available through the Internet. The Board provides technology resources (as defined in Bylaw 0100 - **Definitions**) to support the educational and professional needs of its students and staff. With respect to students, District Technology Resources afford them the opportunity to acquire the skills and knowledge to learn effectively and live productively in a digital world. The Board 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 District's computer network and Internet system do not serve as a public access service or a public forum, and the Board imposes reasonable restrictions on its use consistent with its limited educational purpose.

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

Users are required to refrain from 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). Because its Technology Resources are not unlimited, the Board has also 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 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).

The Board may not be able to technologically limit access to services through its technology resources to only those that have been authorized for the purpose of instruction, study and research related to the curriculum. Unlike in the past when educators and community members had the opportunity to review and screen materials to assess their appropriateness for supporting and enriching the curriculum according to adopted guidelines and reasonable selection criteria (taking into account the varied instructional needs, learning styles, abilities, and developmental levels of the students who would be exposed to them), access to the Internet, because it serves as a gateway to any publicly available file server in the world, opens classrooms and students to electronic information resources that may not have been screened by educators for use by students of various ages.

Pursuant to Federal law, the Board 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. At the discretion of the Board or the District Administrator, the technology protection measures may be configured to protect against access to other material considered inappropriate for students to access. The technology protection measures may not be disabled at any time that students may be using the District 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 Board utilizes software and/or hardware to monitor online activity of students and to block/filter access to child pornography and other material that is obscene, objectionable, inappropriate and/or harmful to minors. "Harmful to minors" is a term defined by the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 254(h)(7)) as any picture, image, graphic image file, or other visual depiction that:

- A. taken as a whole and with respect to minors, appeals to a prurient interest in nudity, sex, or excretion;
- B. depicts, describes, or represents, in a patently offensive way with respect to what is suitable for minors, an actual or simulated sexual act or sexual contact, actual or simulated normal or perverted sexual acts, or a lewd exhibition of the genitals;
- C. taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value as to minors.

At the discretion of the Board or the District Administrator, the technology protection measure may be configured to protect against access to other material considered inappropriate for students to access. The technology protection measure may not be disabled at any time that students may be using the District 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 District Administrator may temporarily or permanently unblock access to websites or online educational services/apps containing appropriate material if access to such sites has been inappropriately blocked by the technology protection measure. 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, not on the protection actions of the technology protection measure.

Parents are advised that a determined user may be able to gain access to services and/or resources on the Internet that the Board has not authorized for educational purposes. In fact, it is impossible to guarantee students will not gain access through the Internet to information and communications that they and/or their parents may find inappropriate, offensive, objectionable or controversial. Parents of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their children should follow when using the Internet.

Pursuant to Federal law, students shall receive education about the following:

- A. safety and security while using e-mail, chat rooms, social media, and other forms of direct electronic communications;
- B. the dangers inherent with the online disclosure of personally identifiable information;
- C. the consequences of unauthorized access (e.g., "hacking", "harvesting", "digital piracy", "data mining", etc.), cyberbullying, and other unlawful or inappropriate activities by students online;
- D. unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personally identifiable information regarding minors.

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

Monitoring may include, but is not necessarily limited to, visual observations of online activities during class sessions; or use of specific monitoring tools to review browser history and network, server, and computer logs.

Building Principals are responsible for providing training so that Internet users under their supervision are knowledgeable about this policy and its accompanying guidelines. The Board expects that staff members will provide guidance and instruction to students in the appropriate use of District technology resources. Such training shall include, but not be limited to, education concerning appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social media, including in chat rooms, and cyberbullying awareness and response. All users of District technology resources (and their parents if they are minors) are required to confirm their agreement to abide by the terms and conditions of this policy by signing the District technology use form.

[X] Off premises use of E-Rate supported technology must be primarily for an educational purpose that is integral, immediate, and proximate to the education of students.

Students will be assigned a school email account that they are required to utilize for all school-related electronic communications, including those to staff members, peers, and individuals and/or organizations outside the District with whom they are communicating for school-related projects and assignments. Further, as directed and authorized by their teachers, they shall use their school-assigned email account when signing-up/registering for access to various online educational services, including mobile applications/apps that will be utilized by the student for educational purposes.

Students are responsible for good behavior when using District technology resources - i.e., behavior comparable to that expected of students when they are in classrooms, school hallways, and other school premises and school-sponsored events. Communications on the Internet are often public in nature. The Board does not approve any use of its technology resources that is not authorized by or conducted strictly in compliance with this policy and its accompanying guidelines.

Students may only use District technology resources to access or use social media if it is done for educational purposes in accordance with their teacher's approved plan for such use.

Users who disregard this policy and its accompanying guidelines may have their use privileges suspended or revoked, and disciplinary action taken against them. Users are personally responsible and liable, both civilly and criminally, for uses of District technology resources that are not authorized by this policy and its accompanying guidelines.

The Board designates the District Administrator and Building Principals as the administrator(s) responsible for initiating, implementing, and enforcing this policy and its accompanying guidelines as they apply to students' use of District technology resources.

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7540.04 - **STAFF TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE AND SAFETY**

Technology has fundamentally altered the ways in which information is accessed, communicated, and transferred in society. As a result, educators are continually adapting their means and methods of instruction, and the way they approach student learning to incorporate the vast, diverse, and unique resources available through the Internet. The Board provides Technology and Information Resources (as defined by Bylaw 0100 - Definitions) to support the educational and professional needs of its staff and students. The Board provides staff with access to the Internet for limited educational purposes only and utilizes online educational services/apps to enhance the instruction delivered to its students and to facilitate the staff's work. The District's computer network and Internet system do not serve as a public access service or a public forum, and the Board imposes reasonable restrictions on its use consistent with its limited educational purpose.

The Board regulates the use of District Technology and Information Resources by principles consistent with applicable local, State, and Federal laws, and the District's educational mission. This policy and Policy 7544 - Use of Social Media and any applicable employment contracts govern the staffs' use of the District's computers, laptops, tablets, personal communication devices (as defined by Policy 7540.02 - Web Content, Apps, and Service), when they are connected to the District computer network, Internet connection, and/or educational services/apps.

Users are required to refrain from 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). Because its Technology Resources are not unlimited, the Board has also instituted restrictions aimed at preserving these resources, such as placing limits on the use of bandwidth, storage space, and printers.

Users have no right or expectation to privacy when using District Technology and Information 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).

Staff members are expected to utilize District technology and information resources to promote educational excellence in our schools by providing students with the opportunity to develop the resource sharing, innovation, and communication skills and tools that are essential to both life and work. The Board encourages the faculty to develop the appropriate skills necessary to effectively access, analyze, evaluate, and utilize these resources to enrich educational activities. The instructional use of the Internet and online educational services will be guided by the Board's Policy 2521 - Selection of Instructional Materials and Equipment.

The Internet is a global information and communication network that provides a valuable education and information resources to our students. The Internet connects computers and users in the District with computers and users worldwide. Through the Internet, students and staff can access relevant information that will enhance their learning and the education process. Further, District technology and resources provide students and staff with the opportunity to communicate with other people from throughout the world. Access to such a vast quantity of information and resources brings with it, however, certain unique challenges.

The Board may not be able to technologically limit access to services through its technology resources to only those that have been authorized for the purpose of instruction, study, and research related to the curriculum. Unlike in the past when educators and community members had the opportunity to review and screen materials to assess their appropriateness for supporting and enriching the curriculum according to adopted guidelines and reasonable selection criteria (taking into account the varied instructional needs, learning styles, abilities, and developmental levels of the students who would be

exposed to them), access to the Internet, because it serves as a gateway to any publicly available file server in the world, opens classrooms and students to electronic information resources that may not have been screened by educators for use by students of various ages.

Pursuant to Federal law, the Board 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. At the discretion of the Board or District Administrator, the technology protection measures may also be configured to protect against access to other material considered inappropriate for students to access. The Board also utilizes software and/or hardware to monitor online activity of staff members to restrict access to child pornography and other material that is obscene, objectionable, inappropriate and/or harmful to minors. The technology protection measures may not be disabled at any time that students may be using the District's technology resources if such disabling will cease to protect against access to materials that are prohibited under the Children's Internet Protection Act. Any staff member who attempts to disable the technology protection measures without express written consent of an appropriate administrator will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

The Board utilizes software and/or hardware to monitor online activity of staff and to block/filter access to child pornography and other material that is obscene, objectionable, inappropriate and/or harmful to minors. "Harmful to minors" is a term defined by the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 254 (h)(7)) as any picture, image, graphic image file, or other visual depiction that:

- A. taken as a whole and with respect to minors, appeals to a prurient interest in nudity, sex, or excretion;
- B. depicts, describes or represents, in a patently offensive way with respect to what is suitable for minors, an actual or simulated sexual act or sexual contact, actual or simulated normal or perverted sexual acts, or a lewd exhibition of the genitals;
- C. taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value to minors.

The District Administrator may temporarily or permanently unblock access to websites or online educational services/apps containing appropriate material if access to such sites has been inappropriately blocked by the technology protection measures. The determination of whether the material is appropriate or inappropriate shall be based on the content of the material and the intended use of the material, not on the protection actions of the technology protection measures. The District Administrator or Building Principal may disable the technology protection measure to enable access for bona fide research or other lawful purposes for staff or students aged seventeen (17) or older.

Staff members will participate in professional development programs in accordance with the provisions of this policy. Training shall include:

- A. the safety and security of students while using e-mail, chat rooms, social networking sites and other forms of direct electronic communications;
- B. the inherent danger of students disclosing personally identifiable information online;
- C. the consequences of unauthorized access (e.g., "hacking", "harvesting", "digital piracy", "data mining", etc.), cyberbullying and other unlawful or inappropriate activities by students or staff online; and
- D. unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personally identifiable information regarding minors.

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

Monitoring may include, but is not necessarily limited to, visual observations of online activities during class sessions; or use of specific monitoring tools to review browser history and network, server, and computer logs.

The disclosure of personally identifiable information about students online is prohibited.

Building Principals are responsible for providing training so that staff users of District technology resources under the Principal's supervision are knowledgeable about this policy and its accompanying guidelines. The Board expects that staff members will provide guidance and instruction to students in the appropriate use of the District technology resources. Such training shall include, but not be limited to, education concerning appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social media, including chat rooms and cyberbullying awareness and response. All users of District technology resources are required to confirm their agreement to abide by the terms and conditions of this policy by signing

the District technology use form. Pursuant to Policy 7540.06 - District-Issued Staff E-Mail Account, staff and Board members using the District's e-mail system shall acknowledge their review of, and intent to comply with, the District's policy on acceptable use of District-issued email accounts.

[X] Off premises use of E-Rate supported technology must be primarily for an educational purpose that is integral, immediate, and proximate to the education of students.

Staff will be assigned a school email address that they are required to utilize for all school-related electronic communications, including those to students, parents and other constituents, fellow staff members, and vendors or individuals seeking to do business with the District.

With prior approval from the District Administrator or Building Principal, staff may direct students who have been issued school-assigned email accounts to use those accounts when signing-up/registering for access to various online educational services, including mobile applications/apps that will be utilized by the students for educational purposes under the teacher's supervision.

Staff members are responsible for good behavior when using District technology and information resources - i.e., behavior comparable to that expected when they are in classrooms, school hallways, and other school premises and school-sponsored events. Communications on the Internet are often public in nature. The Board does not approve any use of the technology and information resources that is not authorized by or conducted strictly in compliance with this policy and its accompanying guidelines and Policy 7544 and its accompanying guideline.

Staff members' use of District technology resources to access or use social media is to be consistent with Policy 7544 and its accompanying guideline.

An employee's personal or private use of social media may have unintended consequences. While the Board respects its employees' First Amendment rights, those rights do not include permission to post inflammatory comments that could compromise the District's mission, undermine staff relationships, or cause a substantial disruption to the school environment. This warning includes staff members' online conduct that occurs off school property including from the employee's personal computer. Postings to social media should be done in a manner sensitive to the staff member's professional responsibilities.

General school rules for behavior and communication apply.

Users who disregard this policy and its accompanying guidelines may have their use privileges suspended or revoked, and disciplinary action taken against them. Users are personally responsible and liable, both civilly and criminally, for uses of District technology and information resources that are not authorized by this policy and its accompanying guidelines.

The Board designates the District Administrator and Building Principals as the administrators responsible for initiating, implementing, and enforcing this policy and its accompanying guidelines as they apply to staff members' use of District technology and information resources.

In addition, Federal and State confidentiality laws forbid schools and their employees from using or disclosing student education records without parental consent. See Policy 8330 - Student Records. Education records include a wide variety of information; posting personally identifiable information about students is not permitted. Staff members who violate State and Federal confidentiality laws or privacy laws related to the disclosure of confidential employee information may be disciplined.

Staff members retain rights of communication for collective bargaining purposes and union organizational activities.

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7540.07 - **DISTRICT-ISSUED STUDENT E-MAIL ACCOUNT**

Students assigned a school email account are required to utilize it for all school-related electronic communications, including those to staff members and individuals and/or organizations outside the District with whom they are communicating for school-related projects and assignments. Further, as directed and authorized by their teachers, they shall use their school-assigned email account when signing-up/registering for access to various online educational services, including mobile applications/apps that will be utilized by the student for educational purposes.

This policy and any corresponding guidelines serve to establish a framework for student's proper use of e-mail as an educational tool.

Personal e-mail accounts on providers other than the District's e-mail system shall be blocked if concerns for network security, SPAM, or virus protection arise. Students are expected to exercise reasonable judgment and prudence and take appropriate precautions to prevent viruses from entering the District's network when opening or forwarding any e-mails or attachments to e-mails that originate from unknown sources.

[X] Students are prohibited from using any District-issued email address, or password for the District-issued email account, for personal accounts in third-party services (e.g., Facebook, X, Instagram, Pinterest, YouTube, etc.) (X) without authorization from the Principal.

Students shall not send or forward mass e-mails, even if educationally-related, without prior approval of their classroom teacher or the Principal.

Students may join list serves or other e-mail services (e.g. RSS feeds) that pertain to academic work, provided the emails received from the list serves or other e-mail services do not become excessive. If a student is unsure whether they have adequate storage or should subscribe to a list serves or RSS feed, the student should discuss the issue with a classroom teacher or the building principal. The Network Administrator is authorized to block e-mail from list serves or e-mail services if the e-mails received by the student becomes excessive.

~~Students are encouraged to keep their inbox and folders organized by regularly reviewing e-mail messages and purging e-mails once they are read and no longer needed for school.~~

Unauthorized E-mail

The Board does not authorize the use of its Technology Resources, including its computer network ("network"), to accept, transmit, or distribute unsolicited bulk e-mail sent through the Internet to network e-mail accounts. In addition, Internet e-mail sent, or caused to be sent, to or through the network that makes use of or contains invalid or forged headers, invalid or non-existent domain names, or other means of deceptive addressing will be deemed to be counterfeit. Any attempt to send or cause such counterfeit e-mail to be sent to or through the network is unauthorized. Similarly, e-mail that is relayed from any third party's e-mail servers without the permission of that third party, or which employs similar techniques to hide or obscure the source of the e-mail, is also an unauthorized use of the network. The Board does not authorize the harvesting or collection of network e-mail addresses for the purposes of sending unsolicited e-mail. The Board reserves the right to take all legal and technical steps available to prevent unsolicited bulk e-mail or other unauthorized e-mail from entering, utilizing, or remaining within the network. Nothing in this policy is intended to grant any right to transmit or send e-mail to, or through, the network. The Board's failure to enforce this policy in every instance in which it might have application does not amount to a waiver of its rights.

Unauthorized use of the network in connection with the transmission of unsolicited bulk e-mail, including the transmission of counterfeit e-mail, may result in civil and criminal penalties against the sender and/or possible disciplinary action.

Authorized Use and Training

Pursuant to Policy 7540.03 - Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety, students using the District's e-mail system shall acknowledge their review of, and intent to comply with, the District's policy on acceptable use and safety.

Furthermore, students using the District's e-mail system shall satisfactorily complete training.

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8120 - **VOLUNTEERS**

The Board recognizes that certain programs and activities can be enhanced through the use of volunteers who have particular knowledge or skills that will be helpful to members of the staff responsible for the conduct of those programs and activities.

The District Administrator shall be responsible for recruiting community volunteers, reviewing their capabilities, and making appropriate placements. The District Administrator shall not be obligated to make use of volunteers whose abilities are not in accord with District needs.

Board members (X) and any other individuals who volunteer to work in the schools must submit to a criminal history records and background check before being allowed to participate in any activity or program.

~~Any volunteer who works with or has access to students shall submit to a criminal history records check, prior to being allowed to participate in any activity or program.~~

A Board member may serve as a volunteer coach or supervisor of an extra-curricular activity if the provisions of 120.20, Wis. Stats., and this policy are satisfied. (See also Bylaw 0144.3 - Conflict of Interest)

A Board member may serve as a volunteer bus driver for the District if the provisions of 120.20, Wis. Stats., and the policy are satisfied. (See also Bylaw 0144.3 - Conflict of Interest)

Each volunteer:

- A. shall agree to abide by all Board policies and District guidelines while on duty as a volunteer;
- B. will be covered under the District's liability policy but the District cannot provide any type of health insurance to cover illness or accident incurred while serving as a volunteer, nor is the person eligible for worker's compensation;
- C. in accepting the role of a volunteer, agrees to verification that a satisfactory background check may be conducted through appropriate State agencies or other applicable means.

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New Policy - Vol. 34, No. 1**8125 - CONSULTANTS**

The Board authorizes the District Administrator to hire consultants for special purpose, time-limited services. Such services typically provide supplemental resources for special or ongoing planning, in-service, administrative, facility, or instructional needs of the District. Money for consultant services may be designated in the District's annual budget. District staff who possess needed skills may be hired in a consulting capacity outside their regular assignments at the discretion of the District Administrator, provided that compensation is provided consistent with wage and hour requirements. Consultants who interact with students shall be subject to the same criminal history records and background checks as volunteers (see Policy 8120 - Volunteers).

~~[-] The District Administrator shall report to the Board the contract of any consultants no later than at the next Board meeting.~~

Approval of consulting contracts shall be consistent with any applicable requirements of Board Policy 6320 - Purchasing.

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8305 - **INFORMATION SECURITY**

The District collects, classifies, and retains data/information from and about students, staff, vendors/contractors, and other individuals, about programs and initiatives undertaken by the school system, and about and related to the business of the District. This information may be in hard copy or digital format, and may be stored in the District or offsite with a third party provider.

Data/information collected by the District shall be classified as Confidential, Controlled, or Published. Data/information will be considered Controlled until identified otherwise.

Protecting District Information Resources (as defined in Bylaw 0100 - Definitions) is of paramount importance. Information security requires everyone's active participation to keep the District's data/information secure. This includes Board members, staff members/employees, students, parents, contractors/vendors, and visitors who use District Technology Resources (as defined in Bylaw 0100 - Definitions) and Information Resources.

Individuals who are granted access to data/information collected and retained by the District must follow established procedures so that the information is protected and preserved. Board members, administrators, and all District staff members, as well as contractors, vendors, and their employees, granted access to data/ information retained by the District are required to certify annually that they shall comply with the established information security protocols pertaining to District data/information. Further, all individuals granted access to Confidential Data/Information retained by the District must certify annually that they will comply with the information security protocols pertaining to Confidential Data/Information.

All Board members, staff members/employees, students, contractors/vendors, and visitors who have access to Board-owned or managed data/information must maintain the security of that data/information and the District Technology Resources on which it is stored.

~~If an individual has any questions concerning whether this Policy and/or its related administrative guidelines apply to him/her or how they apply to him/her, the individual should contact the District's Technology Director or Information Technology Department/Office.~~ If an individual has any questions concerning whether or how this policy applies to the individual, the individual should contact the District's Technology Director.

[X] The District Administrator shall develop internal controls necessary to provide for the collection, classification, retention, access, and security of District Data/Information.

~~The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines that set forth the internal controls necessary to provide for the collection, classification, retention, access, and security of District Data/Information.~~

Further, the Superintendent is authorized to develop procedures that would be implemented in the event of an unauthorized release or breach of data/information. These procedures shall comply with the District's legal requirements if such a breach of personally- identifiable information occurs. (See Policy 8320.01 - Unauthorized Acquisition of Staff Personal Information and/or Policy 8330.01 - Unauthorized Acquisition of Student Personal Information.)

The Superintendent shall require the participation of staff members in appropriate training related to the internal controls pertaining to the data/information that they collect, to which they have access, and for which they would be responsible for the security protocols.

Third-party contractors/vendors who require access to Confidential Data/ Information collected and retained by the District will be informed of relevant Board policies that govern access to and use of Information Resources, including the duty to safeguard the confidentiality of such data/information.

Failure to adhere to this ~~Policy~~ policy and its related administrative guidelines may put data/information collected and retain by the District at risk. Employees who violate this policy and/or the administrative guidelines promulgated consistent with this policy may have disciplinary consequences imposed, up to and including termination of employment, and/or referral to law enforcement. Students who violate this Policy and/or guidelines will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion, and/or referral to law enforcement. Contractors/vendors who violate this ~~Policy~~ policy and/or guidelines may face termination of their business relationships with and/or legal action by the District. Parents and visitors who violate this ~~Policy~~ policy and/or guidelines may be denied access to the District's Technology Resources.

The ~~Superintendent~~ District Administrator shall conduct a periodic assessment of risk related to the access to and security of the data/information collected and retained by the District, ~~as well as the viability of the continuity of organizational operations plan developed pursuant to Policy 8300—Continuity of Organization Operation Plan.~~ Public discussion of any component of an Information Systems assessment or audit will not be held if, at the District Administrator's discretion, doing so would jeopardize cybersecurity, or the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of employee or student information, or any other security related considerations requires confidentiality.

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8395 - **STUDENT MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH SERVICES**

The Board understands the importance of both physical and mental health in supporting all students to reach their fullest educational and personal potential. Providing access to physical and mental health services to students in the school allows those students that need such services to access them without disrupting their educational pursuits and to provide access to the greatest number of students possible.

The District will assist in facilitating students' access to physical and mental health services ("Services"), when appropriate through the Student Services Department and school nurse. These Services may be provided in conjunction with the appropriate agency from licensed agencies authorized to provide Services at the schools. These Services are intended to provide support to a student in a way that minimizes intrusion into the student's day and are not intended to replace services and which supplements those Services provided by a teacher, paraprofessional, school nurse, and other health professionals, or any other staff member. Further, unless otherwise determined by an IEP team, Services are not to be considered a related service necessary for the provision of a free appropriate public education under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. The provision of Services by outside agencies in the school setting will be governed by agreement between the District and the licensed agency and will be subject to the provisions therein as well as the procedures set forth below.

School District Mental Health Professionals

The Student Services Department is available to assist students with mental health concerns, including providing Services within the scope of the staff members professional abilities and/or licensure.

Student Services shall maintain information regarding community-based and other types of mental health resources available for students who require more intensive Services or who suffer from more acute or chronic conditions. School staff shall coordinate with and collaborate with outside providers to provide continuity of services in and out of school. All Services provided by and/or coordinated by Student Services shall be available to students who participate only on a voluntary basis.

Any staff member who, in the course of providing mental health services to a student shall report any circumstances giving rise to suspicion that the student has been or is the victim of abuse or neglect (See Policy 8462 – Child Abuse and Neglect) or hears of a threat of violence that the staff member believes in good faith presents imminent danger (See Policy 8462.01 – Threats of Violence).

School District Physical Health Professionals

The School Nurse is available to assist students with health concerns, including providing Services within the scope of the staff members professional abilities and/or licensure.

The School Nurse shall maintain information regarding community-based and other types of health resources available for students who require more intensive Services or who suffer from more acute or chronic conditions. School staff shall coordinate with and collaborate with outside providers to support continuity of services in and out of school. All Services provided by and/or coordinated by the District shall be available to students who participate only on a voluntary basis.

Coordination of On-Site Services (Face-to-Face and/or Virtual)

Where appropriate, Student Services and school health professionals may, in consultation with the student's building administration, provide access for on-site and/or virtual delivery of Services by independent, appropriately licensed, and authorized, professionals subject to the following requirements:

- A. All individuals providing Services must be working under an agreement between the District and a licensed agency and approved by the District Administrator prior to commencing services. The Agreement shall specify the term of the Agreement, the amount of time intended to be spent on site, and all financial necessities arrangements.
- B. All individuals providing Services must have on file with the District the following prior to providing Services: (a) appropriate licensure and other required professional credentials; (b) evidence of appropriate insurance coverage; (c) completed and satisfactory criminal background check results and required State health information. ~~All items on file with the District prior to commencing Services.~~
- C. To be eligible to receive Services at school, students must have a signed Waiver and Indemnification Agreement and Consent for Release of Information on file with the District specifying the organization's plan for frequency of ~~services~~ Services, schedule for Services at school, and specifying any financial arrangements involved between the provider, the student, and/or the student's parents. This agreement will also stipulate the District's responsibility to provide a Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) for students with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) so that ~~services~~ Services are consistent with the District's requirements.
- D. The provider must make it clear, in writing on file with the District, that the provider is not directly affiliated with the District, that the student is receiving Services from the particular agency, or organization such that the District's only involvement is coordinating the schedule and providing a suitable location for students to receive Services. The provider and/or agency is not delivering educational ~~services~~ Services or providing any service on behalf of or with the approval of or sanctioned by the District.
- E. The District may refuse access to school facilities to any individual or agency for violating any expectations. No District officials shall advocate for students to receive ~~services~~ Services from any specific provider or agency but may provide referrals, or information concerning resources available to students.
- F. All providers are expected to adhere to Board policies while on school grounds and providing ~~services~~ Services to students.

Complimentary Services

The Services described in this policy and provided for through agreements entered into pursuant to this policy do not replace or eliminate other ~~physical or~~ mental health and related services provided through IEP development, 504 plans, general school counseling services, and other student services available through District and partner resources. ~~This policy is to be administered consistent with Policy 5330 - Administration of Medication/Emergency Care, Policy 5310.01 - Emergency Nursing Services, as well as other Board policies concerning student health.~~

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8531 - **FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS**

The Board of Education recognizes the importance of good nutrition to each student's educational performance.

The Board shall provide eligible children with breakfast and lunch at a reduced rate or at no charge to the student as well as free milk for qualifying students, **if the District participates in the Wisconsin School Day Milk Program.**

Children, eligible for free or reduced-price meals, shall be determined by the criteria established by the Child Nutrition Program. These criteria are issued annually by the Federal government through the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's (DPI) administration of the School Nutrition Programs.

The Board designates the District Administrator to determine in accordance with Board standards, the eligibility of students for free and/or reduced-price meals.

The schools shall at least once annually close to the beginning of the school year notify all families of the availability, eligibility requirements, and/or application procedure for free and reduced-price meals by distributing an application to the family of each student enrolled in the school. The notice shall contain all information required by State and Federal regulations.

The District shall seek out and apply for such Federal, State, and local funds as may be applied to the District's program of free and reduced-price meals.

Any student identified as homeless, a foster child, a runaway, a migrant, or who is enrolled in Head Start shall be considered eligible for free meals and free milk.

Students receiving free or reduced meals or milk shall not be subjected to any of the following actions related to their receipt of meal service:

- A. the District shall not publish or otherwise publicize names of children receiving free or reduced meals or milk;
- B. the District's meal service will not use special tokens or tickets that identify students as receiving free or reduced meals or milk;
- C. no student shall be required to work or perform any service in order to receive food service;
- D. students receiving free or reduced-price meal service shall not be required to use a separate line or separate eating area, nor shall they be required to receive meals at a different time based on eligibility for the free or reduced program;
- E. all students shall have the same choices for meals and milk regardless of whether the student is paying full price or receiving free or reduced meal service benefits.

The District Administrator shall regularly evaluate the free and reduced lunch program to determine whether the District or school may qualify for special assistance certification or Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) to reduce the paperwork burden on families qualifying for free and reduced meals. Any schools identified as CEP-eligible shall be notified.

Unless exempted by DPI, annually prior to a date established by the Department of Agriculture and/or the DPI, the District Administrator shall notify DPI of any school in the District that has twenty-five percent (25%) free and reduced lunch eligible or that has less than twenty-five percent (25%) but more than fifteen percent (15%) identified student percentage.

Nondiscrimination Statement

The following statement applies to all programs administered by the District that are funded in whole or in part by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA):

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity. The District's nondiscrimination statement below is complementary to the District's nondiscrimination policies, including Policy 2260 - Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Opportunity and Policy 1422/Policy 3122/Policy 4122 - Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. Fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. E-mail: program.intake@usda.gov.

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8600 - **TRANSPORTATION**

It is the policy of the Board to provide transportation for those students, of any age, whose distance from their school makes this service necessary within the limitations established by State law and the regulations of the Department of Public Instruction or other appropriate agency.

School buses and student-transportation vehicles shall be purchased, housed, and maintained by the District or the District shall contract for transportation services. In accordance with State law, the District shall not transport students by alternative transportation methods of vehicles carrying more than nine (9) passengers and the operator. This prohibition does not apply to school buses operated in compliance with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's regulations.

All school buses and student-transportation vehicles, whether purchased, leased, or contracted for shall comply with specifications defined in State and Federal law. Each operator of a school vehicle used to transport students of the District shall be licensed for the purpose for which the vehicle is being used and shall operate the vehicles in accordance with Federal and State laws.

Transportation for private school students, eligible for transportation under State law, shall be provided on the same basis as for District students.

For the purposes of this policy, the term "student with a disability" refers to a student who qualifies for special education under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). In addition to transportation provided routinely to all students, some students with disabilities require transportation (often called "specialized transportation") as a related service as part of their individualized education program (IEP). Students with disabilities are entitled to transportation as a related service only if the IEP team has determined that transportation is necessary for the student to benefit from special education. Outside of IEP team determinations about specialized transportation, State and local officials set most transportation policies and procedures.

Transportation must be viewed as a way to include students with disabilities with their nondisabled peers. In general, transportation for students with disabilities should occur in the same manner as for their peers. This may be especially important for students with disabilities who have limited opportunities during the school day to interact with their nondisabled peers. Safety issues must also be taken into consideration when determining appropriate transportation arrangements.

Transportation of eligible students with exceptional educational needs or attending a technical education program shall be arranged through the use of District-owned vehicles, through cooperation with other districts, through commercial carriers, and/or by other means in the most efficient and economical manner.

Transportation privileges may be revoked if the student's conduct is in violation of the Code of Conduct pertaining to student transportation. Such revocation shall be in accord with statutorily required procedures.

Nonroutine Use of School Buses

The Board may permit the school buses owned or leased by this District to be used for purposes other than regularly scheduled routes to and from school in accordance with legal requirements, provided such trips do not interfere with routine school transportation services.

Vehicles must be operated when possible by an employee of this District, or otherwise by a qualified individual approved by the District Administrator. The cost of transportation shall be reimbursed to the Board in accordance with a formula established in the District's administrative guidelines.

Surveillance on School Buses

The Board authorizes the District Administrator to install and operate video and audio surveillance on District buses to enhance student safety and well-being.

District-Owned Vehicles Used for Transporting Students

All drivers of motor vehicles owned by the District and used for transportation of students shall be under written contract with the Board as required by 121.52, Wis. Stats.

All operators of motor vehicles owned by the District and used for transportation of students shall be subject to the provisions of 121.555, Wis. Stats. and may be subject to the District's employee drug testing policy in accordance with Policy 8601 - Controlled Substance and Alcohol Policy for Employees that Transport Students.

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