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Classified staff members shall maintain a standard of care for the supervision, control, and protection of students commensurate with assigned duties and responsibilities and are expected to establish and maintain professional staff/student boundaries that are consistent with their legal, professional, and ethical duty of care for students.

The Superintendent shall maintain and enforce the following standards:

- A. Each classified staff member shall report immediately to a building administrator any accident, safety hazard, or other potentially harmful condition or situation the staff member s/he detects.
- B. Each classified staff member shall immediately report to a building administrator any knowledge of threats of violence by students.
- C. A classified staff member shall not send students on any personal errands.
- D. A classified staff member shall not engage in grooming as defined by State law, or otherwise associate or fraternize with students at any time in a manner that may give the appearance of impropriety, including
- E. If a student approaches a classified staff member to seek advice or to ask questions regarding a personal problem related to sexual behavior, substance abuse, mental or physical health, and/or family relationships, etc., the classified staff member may attempt to assist the student by facilitating contact with certified or licensed individuals in the District or community who specialize in the assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of the student's stated problem. However, under no circumstances should a classified staff member attempt, unless properly licensed and authorized to do so, to counsel, assess, diagnose, or treat the student's problem or behavior, nor should such classified staff member inappropriately disclose personally identifiable information concerning the student to third persons not specifically authorized by law. Consistent with State law, the staff member shall promptly notify the Principal of any such communications with a student so the Principal can determine whether a notice needs to be provided to the student's parent pursuant to R.C. 3313.473 and Policy 5780.01 Parents' Bill of Rights.
- F. A classified staff member shall not transport students in a private vehicle without the approval of an appropriate administrator, unless it is an emergency.

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G. A student shall not be required to perform work or services that may be detrimental to the student's health.

- H. Classified staff members shall not engage students in electronic communication via email, texting, social media, and/or online networking media, such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, MySpace, Skype, blogs, etc., at any time unless such communication has been specifically authorized by the student's Pprincipal.
- I. Classified staff members are prohibited from electronically transmitting any personally identifiable image of a student(s), including video, photographs, streaming video, etc., via email, texting, social media and/or online networking media, such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, MySpace, Skype, blogs, etc

Since most information concerning a child in school, other than directory information described in Policy 8330, is confidential under Federal and State laws, any staff member who shares confidential information with another person not authorized to receive the information may be subject to discipline and/or civil liability. This includes, but is not limited to, information concerning assessments, grades, behavior, family background, and alleged child abuse.

Pursuant to the laws of the State and Board Policy 8462, each classified staff member shall report to the proper legal authorities, immediately, any sign of suspected child abuse or neglect.

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