Unity School District Administrative Rule 735.1 Drones on Campus or School Events 11/13/2018

For purposes of this policy, an unmanned aircraft (UAV), or drone, is defined as any powered, aerial vehicle that does not carry a human operator that (1) when operated outdoors, is subject to federal regulation as an unmanned aircraft, including as a "model aircraft"; or (2) uses aerodynamic forces to provide vehicle lift and can fly autonomously or be piloted remotely. A drone may be expendable or recoverable.

The Unity School District will enforce all Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) policies related to the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs or drones) at all WIAA events and tournament series events.

In addition, the District also requires conditions for the use of UAV's at all school district events and on school district property. These conditions and requirements include adherence to approval or exemption, WIAA approval where applicable, venue host administrative approval, proof of insurance, and a statement that the operators are trained in the use of the UAV.

District permission or authorization to operate a drone that is given to any non-District third party shall not be construed to involve (1) the transfer of any liability to the District, or (2) the waiver of any District immunity from or any defenses to claims that the District otherwise would be permitted to assert.

A person who operates a drone or who attempts to operate a drone on or above District property, or in connection with a District-sponsored event or activity, in a manner that violates District policy, that is inconsistent with any approval or authorization given by the District or that is unlawful is subject to appropriate consequences, including but not limited to possible exclusion from District property or event, possible district-imposed discipline, and/or possible state or federal prosecution or other enforcement actions.

Any request for the use of UAVs at school events or on school district property shall be submitted to the District Administrator.

The use of UAVs for student learning and classroom activities requires timely notice to the District Office, favourable weather conditions, and District Administrator approval.