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560 CROSSLAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (CCS) HOTSPOT DISTRIBUTION POLICY

I. PURPOSE

Crosslake Community Schools (CCS) recognizes that reliable internet access is essential for student success in a modern learning environment. Given the limited number of school-owned devices, the ongoing monthly cost of each device, and the administrative effort required to manage them, CCS must ensure the fair, responsible, and most impactful use of these resources. This policy establishes the principle that CCS hotspots are a limited, need-based resource provided solely to support student learning where other accessible alternatives are not viable.

II POLICY STATEMENT

Hotspots are not an automatically guaranteed resource. They are a temporary, supplemental aid provided only to students who meet demonstrated criteria of need (financial or reception-based) and for whom the device is likely to successfully resolve the connectivity barrier to their education.

1. **Need-Based Distribution:** Devices will only be distributed after a thorough internal assessment confirms genuine financial or geographic need and explores available external resources (e.g., local library checkout, state/federal assistance programs).
2. **Educational Use Only:** Hotspots are provided exclusively for educational purposes. CCS reserves the right to monitor usage and recall any device found to be unused, misused, or no longer required.
3. **Family Responsibility:** Families receiving a device are required to sign an acknowledgment form, agree to the conditions of use, and are responsible for the prompt return of the device upon the student's withdrawal or at the end of the school year.