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FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS

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Goal

The Board intends that the educational program be fully supported by suitable facilities. The District will endeavor to utilize energy-efficient resources whenever possible and practical, as well as conduct operations in an environmentally-conscious and responsible manner.

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Safety and Security

School District facilities and grounds will be kept safe, clean and attractive. The Superintendent will develop and implement a maintenance program for the safe and efficient operation of the School District. The program will provide for the regular inspection and periodic maintenance of all School District facilities and be compliant with all applicable safety, health and environmental requirements.

The School District will undertake reasonable cooperative efforts with law enforcement agencies. The Superintendent and building administrators have the responsibility and authority to determine when the presence or assistance of law enforcement officers is necessary on School District premises and School related functions.

7003

Firearms and Other Weapons

To the full extent permitted by law, the District prohibits firearms and other weapons on District premises and at District-related functions. District employees and students who violate this policy are subject to discipline, including permanent expulsion or discharge. Others who violate this policy are subject to being banned from District premises and District-related functions. The District reserves the rights to report to police authorities any person who violates this policy.

7004

School Crisis, Response, and Closure

The Board strives to provide a safe learning environment for students, staff and other members of the school community. The Superintendent will develop a school crisis response plan to be implemented in the event of an emergency.

The Superintendent is authorized to close schools in the case of inclement weather or other emergencies when it is unsafe for students to travel to or attend school.

7005

Hazardous Chemicals and Substances

The Superintendent will develop a plan that includes preventive and remedial measures to be taken in the event that there is exposure, or threatened exposure, to a toxic hazard. The Superintendent will also develop and implement an Asbestos-Management Program for the School District that is compliant with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA).

7006

Tobacco-Free Environment

The use of all tobacco products on School District property is prohibited. For purposes of this policy, School District property includes all school buildings, areas adjacent to school buildings, athletic fields, pupil transportation vehicles and parking lots. This prohibition applies to students, employees and visitors to the

school or school campus and applies whether or not school is in session. The term "tobacco" includes any kind of lighted pipe, cigar, cigarettes, or any other lighted smoking materials, as well as chewing products and snuff.

7007 Electronic Cigarettes, Vaporizers, Etc.

The use of electronic cigarettes, vaporizers, etc. on School District property is prohibited.

The following definitions apply to this policy. "Electronic Cigarettes" and "Vaporizers" means any device that simulates smoking any type of product, regardless whether they are manufactured, distributed, marketed or sold as e-cigarettes, or under any product name or descriptor. "School District Property" means: all school buildings, areas adjacent to school buildings, athletic fields, pupil transportation vehicles and parking lots.

7008 Integrated Pest Management

The Superintendent will develop an integrated pest management plan or administrative regulations that include strategies to reduce the use of pesticides that pose health risks to students, staff members and other persons in the school community.

7009 Transportation

Student Transportation The District will provide transportation to eligible School District students and others consistent with applicable laws. The use of School District transportation resources for field trips, co-curricular activities and other authorized educational, cultural and recreational activities may be permitted when it does not conflict with the primary purpose for transportation and complies with District policies.

Students who reside in the District and meet the following requirements are eligible for transportation to and from school:

- A. Grades K through 5 1 mile
- B. Grades 6 through 12 1.5 miles
- C. The Student's IEP or Section 504 Plan requires transportation by the School District

Business Transportation The Superintendent is authorized to determine the extent to which District owned vehicles may be used for official school business. Drivers of school owned vehicles shall be properly licensed.

The Superintendent is authorized to reimburse School District employees for School District-related travel outside the boundaries of the School District at a rate not to exceed the rate established by the Internal Revenue Service.

Private Transportation In cases where an enrolled student wishes to transport him/herself by private vehicle, the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the student may request permission for their child to self-transport him/herself to and from a District site or program, subject to rules and regulations established by the Superintendent.

7010 Use of School District Facilities

The Superintendent is authorized to permit individuals, groups and organizations to use School District facilities when the use does not conflict with the use of School District facilities for School District purposes. The Superintendent will develop administrative regulations concerning the use of School District facilities.

7011 Naming School District Building and Facilities

In order to assure uniformity and dignity in the naming of school facilities in the Rochester Community School District, the Board of Education specifies the following guidelines:

1. Elementary schools shall be named after places or things and as memorials to people significant to this school district.
2. Middle schools shall be named after national figures of prominence.
3. Senior high schools shall be named after a street or location preceded by the word "Rochester."
4. Facilities, other than schools, shall be named for the major functions performed at this location followed by the word "Center." All major building projects which are named for individuals or historic locations will be identified by a suitable plaque in commemoration of that individual or historic location

7012 Recognitions, Remembrances, and Plaques

The Board may honor a person of national, state or local importance by placing a suitable plaque or memorial on a School District building or facility. The Board may elect to provide remembrances and/or recognitions of District employees or those serving the District from time to time. The Board authorizes the expenditure of reasonable costs for recognitions addressing an individual's service/employment to the District. Other than the foregoing, no public funds shall be expended for remembrances or recognitions approved by the Board.

7012 Surveillance of and in School District Buildings and Facilities

In order to commemorate the persons who worked for the approval and construction of a new school building, each major building will contain a plaque identifying the project, year completed, and the names of the Board members, Superintendent, construction manager and architectural firm. The names which appear on a plaque shall be those persons who were serving at the time the contract for the building construction was signed.

The Superintendent may authorize legally compliant surveillance of and in School District buildings and facilities.