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524.1 Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set expectations for appropriate use of existing and emerging technologies which students may possess, including but not limited to cellular phones and other personal electronic devices capable of recording and/or transmitting data or images.

II. General Statement of Policy

The St. Anthony-New Brighton School District holds high expectations for student behavior, academic integrity and responsible use of technology. Students who possess and/or use such technology devices at school, on school buses or school sponsored events shall demonstrate the greatest respect for the educational environment and the rights and privacy of all individuals within the school community. State laws provide employees and students with certain privacy rights.

III. Definitions

Electronic Device

- An "electronic device", as part of this protocol, is a piece of non district owned electronic technology that includes but is not limited to emerging mobile communication systems and smart technologies, laptops, netbooks, tablets, eReaders, smartphones, smart watches, and any technology that can be used for wired or wireless internet access, word processing, image capture/recording, sound recording and information transmitting, receiving, and storing.

IV. Standards for Responsible Use at School, On Buses or at School Activities

- A. Respect for the educational environment
 1. The district provides appropriate technology devices for learning when specific devices are required. Teachers may permit, but not require, students to use personal

electronic devices in support of learning, at the discretion of the teacher or other school staff.

2. Cellular phones and other personal electronic devices shall remain silent and be kept out of sight during instructional time, unless specifically allowed by the teacher or other school staff. Students will not be allowed to leave class in response to any electronic device, excluding those with approved health plans.
3. Students shall not use any electronic device in any way that disrupts or detracts from the educational environment or for inappropriate, unethical, or illegal purposes, including but not limited to, transmission or viewing of inappropriate or pornographic material, violations of others privacy rights, cheating harassing or bullying behavior. Accessing inappropriate material on school property, on a school bus, or at a school activity may result in disciplinary action. Parents are encouraged to monitor and/or restrict cellular internet access for students.
4. Electronic devices may be used appropriately and respectfully before and after each class or in approved common areas, such as near lockers or in the cafeteria-or outside on school grounds, throughout the day. (See School Board Policy 524, Section V, Unacceptable Uses)

B. Respect for privacy rights:

1. Students shall not record, photograph or video other individuals on school property, on a school bus or at school sponsored activities without that individual's knowledge and written consent, except for activities considered to be in the public arena such as sporting events, public meetings, academic competitions and/or public performances. School social events, activities sponsored by student clubs, team building retreats and activities that take place during the school day are not considered to be public arena.
2. Students shall not email, text or post to the Internet, or social media, or transmit electronic images of other individuals taken at school without the individuals expressed written consent.
3. Recording, photographing, or making video of others is strictly prohibited in locker rooms, restrooms, dressing rooms and health offices, where individuals have every expectation of privacy. (See School Board Policy 524, Section V, A6)

C. Assuring academic integrity: Students shall not use electronic devices in any way that may cause a teacher or staff member to question whether the student may be cheating on tests or academic work or violating copyright policy. Students are advised that the use of transmission through any electronic device during testing events (including but not limited to ACT, Advanced Placement and state MCA exams) will result in the student being removed from the room and immediate cancellation of the student's exams and/or may result in the cancellation of all student's exams in that testing session.

D. Compliance with Other District Policies: Use of cellular phones or other personal electronic devices must not violate any other District policies, including those regarding

student privacy, copyright, cheating, plagiarism, civility, student code of conduct, electronic technologies acceptable use, harassment or bullying prohibition. If a violation occurs involving more than one District policy, consequences for each policy will apply.

E. Responsibility for Personal Property

1. Students who choose to bring a personal device to school assume all responsibility and risks relating to the possession and use of personal devices including internet access and data transmission.
2. Parents are advised that student devices connected to personal cellular networks are not subject to the District's Internet filters and responsibility for ensuring appropriate access to the Internet rests with the individual student and family.
3. Network access is provided via wireless access only. Personal devices may not be connected to the network by network cable plugged into a data outlet.
4. District employees will not be responsible for safeguarding, repairing or troubleshooting any student's personal electronic devices.
5. Neither the District nor its employees will be responsible or liable for the theft, loss, data loss, damage, destruction, misuse or vandalism of any student personal electronic device brought into the District or on school property or on a school bus.
6. Student devices may not be used to establish a wireless ad-hoc or peer-to-peer network using his/her device while connected to the school district's network unless with staff approved legitimate educational purposes. This includes, but is not limited to, using a personal device as a cabled or wireless hotspot.
7. District-owned academic, instructional, or productivity software and apps shall not be installed on personal devices unless expressly permitted by district licenses.

V. Consistency with other School Policies

Use of the school district computer system and use of the Internet shall be consistent with school district policies and the mission of the school district.

VI. Violations of this Policy

See School Board Policy 506, Student Discipline

VII. Dissemination of Policy

This policy shall be included in the Students' Rights and Responsibilities Handbook, posted to the District website and otherwise distributed upon request.

Legal References:

15 U.S.C. § 6501 *et seq.* (Children's Online Privacy Protection Act)
17 U.S.C. § 101 *et seq.* (Copyrights)
20 U.S.C. § 6751 *et seq.* (Enhancing Education through Technology Act of 2001)
47 U.S.C. § 254 (Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000 (CIPA))
47 C.F.R. § 54.520 (FCC rules implementing CIPA)
Minn. Stat. § 121A.0695 (School Board Policy; Prohibiting Intimidation and Bullying)
Minn. Stat. § 125B.15 (Internet Access for Students)
Minn. Stat. § 125B.26 (Telecommunications/Internet Access Equity Act)

Cross References: MSBA/MASA Model Policy 403 (Discipline, Suspension, and Dismissal of School District Employees)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 406 (Public and Private Personnel Data)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 505 (Distribution of Nonschool-Sponsored Materials on School Premises by Students and Employees)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 506 (Student Discipline)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 515 (Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 521 (Student Disability Nondiscrimination)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 522 (Student Sex Nondiscrimination)
Policy 524 (Technology Responsible Use and Safety Policy)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 603 (Curriculum Development)
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 604 (Instructional Curriculum)