EMPLOYEE USE OF TECHNOLOGY

The Board of Trustees recognizes the purpose of technology is to enhance the education of children. It also recognizes that technology can enhance performance by improving access to and exchange of information, offering effective tools to assist in providing a quality instructional program, and facilitating operations. The Board expects all employees to learn to use the available electronic resources that will assist them in their jobs. As needed, staff shall receive training in the appropriate use of these resources.

Employees shall be responsible for the appropriate use of technology and shall use the district’s electronic mail/Internet only for purposes related to their employment. Such use is a privilege which may be revoked at any time.

Employees should be aware that computer files and communications over electronic networks, including e-mail and voice mail, are not private. This technology shall be used for educational purposes, factual or directory information, and only to the individual on a need to know basis for conducting business of the district.

To ensure proper use, the Superintendent or designee may monitor the district’s technological resources, including e-mail and voice mail systems, at any time without advance notice or consent. If passwords are used, they must be known to the Superintendent or designee so that he/she may have system access when the employee is absent.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish administrative regulations which outline employee obligations and responsibilities related to the use of technology. Employees who fail to abide by these regulations shall be subject to disciplinary action, revocation of the user account and legal action as appropriate.

The Superintendent or designee may establish guidelines and limits on the use of technological resources. He/She shall ensure that all employees using these resources receive copies of related policies, regulations and guidelines. Employees shall be asked to acknowledge in writing that they have read and understood these policies, regulations and guidelines.

Legal Reference: (see next page)
EMPLOYEE USE OF TECHNOLOGY (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
51870-51874 Education technology
52270-52272 Education technology and professional development grants
52295.10-52295.55 Implementation of Enhancing Education Through Technology grant program

GOVERNMENT CODE
3543.1 Rights of employee organizations

PENAL CODE
502 Computer crimes, remedies
632 Eavesdropping on or recording confidential communications

VEHICLE CODE
23123 Wireless telephones in vehicles
23123.5 Mobile communication devices; text messaging while driving
23125 Wireless telephones in school buses

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
6751-6777 Enhancing Education Through Technology Act, Title II, Part D, especially:
6777 Internet safety

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 47
254 Universal service discounts (E-rate)

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 47
54.520 Internet safety policy and technology protection measures, E-rate discounts