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**Subject: Internet Safety**

The Board of Education is committed to undertaking efforts that serve to make safe for children the use of district computers for access to the Internet and World Wide Web. To this end, although unable to guarantee that any selected filtering and blocking technology will work perfectly, the Board directs the Superintendent of Schools to procure and implement the use of technology protection measures that block or filter Internet access:

- by adults to visual depictions that are obscene or child pornography, and
- by minors to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors, as defined in the Children’s Internet Protection Act.

Subject to staff supervision, however, filtering measures may be disabled or relaxed for adults conducting bona fide research or other lawful purposes, in accordance with criteria established by the Superintendent or his or her designee.

The Superintendent or his or her designee also shall develop and implement procedures that provide for the safety and security of students using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications; monitoring the online activities of students using district computers; and restricting student access to materials that are harmful to minors.

In addition, the Board prohibits the unauthorized disclosure, use and dissemination of personal information regarding students; unauthorized online access by students, including hacking and other unlawful activities; and access by students to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web. The Superintendent or his or her designee shall establish and implement procedures that enforce these restrictions.

The District will educate students about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites/chat rooms as well as cyberbullying awareness and response.

Those responsible for supervising minors while using District computers will also be responsible for monitoring their online activities by circulating throughout the area where the computers are located and directly observing the nature of those activities.

The technology director, under the direction of the Superintendent, shall monitor and examine all district computer network activities to promote compliance with this policy and accompanying regulation. He or she also shall be responsible for providing staff and students with necessary information and training (as needed) on their requirements.

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All users of the district’s computer network, including access to the Internet and World Wide Web, must understand that use is a privilege, not a right, and that any such use entails responsibility. They must comply with the requirements of this policy and accompanying regulation, in addition to generally accepted rules of network etiquette, and the district’s Digital Citizenship Agreement. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action including, but not limited to, the revocation of computer access privileges.

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