

PUBLIC NOTICE

Madeira City Schools is required to annually provide families with this general notice that informs you that Madeira City Schools electronically accesses and/or monitors your student's school-issued devices for the following permissible reasons:

1. **For educational purposes:** Teachers or staff may monitor devices to support instruction, technical help, or exam proctoring. Teachers may also check that students are staying on task during class. **For educational purposes, this notice serves as your advance notification.**
2. **With a judicial warrant:** If a court orders a legal search, Madeira Schools or its technology providers are required to comply.
3. **If the device is lost or stolen:** If the school is notified that a device is lost or stolen, the district may access information to help locate it.
4. **In response to a threat to safety:** The district may access a device to address potential dangers, such as signs of self-harm.
5. **To comply with state or federal laws:** Sometimes, laws require Madeira Schools to access or monitor devices.
6. **As part of funding requirements:** For example, to comply with the requirements of the Federal E-Rate funding programs, Madeira Schools filters all student Internet access pursuant to the Children's Internet Protection Act. This includes filtering materials that are obscene, objectionable, inappropriate, and/or harmful to minors.

For reasons 2-6 outlined above, the district is required to notify you within 72 hours if your student's device was accessed and explain what was accessed and why. In the event of accessing for a safety reason, we will also notify you of the nature of the concern.

Again, nothing has changed about how we monitor or manage school-issued devices, but this notice simply provides more transparency about our process pursuant to SB29. We are committed to protecting student privacy while maintaining a safe learning environment. If you have any questions, please reach out to Dave Bergan at dbergan@madeiracityschools.org.