

Instruction

STUDENT USE OF TECHNOLOGY

The Governing Board intends that technological resources, including technology based on artificial intelligence (AI), provided by the district be used in a safe, responsible, and proper manner in support of the instructional program and for the advancement of student learning.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify students and parents/guardians about authorized uses of district computers, user obligations and responsibilities, and consequences for unauthorized use and/or unlawful activities in accordance with district regulations and the district's Acceptable Use Agreement.

Before a student is authorized to use the district's technological resources, including technology based on artificial intelligence (AI), the student and his/her parent/guardian shall sign and return the Acceptable Use Agreement specifying user obligations and responsibilities. In that agreement, the student and his/her parent/guardian shall agree not to hold the district or any district staff responsible for the failure of any technology protection measures, violations of copyright restrictions, or user mistakes or negligence. They shall also agree to indemnify and hold harmless the district and district personnel for any damages or costs incurred.

The Superintendent or designee, with input from students and appropriate staff, shall regularly review and update this policy, the accompanying administrative regulation, and other relevant procedures to enhance the safety and security of students using the district's technological resources, including technology based on artificial intelligence (AI), and to help ensure that the district adapts to changing technologies and circumstances.

Use of District Computers for Online Services/Internet Access

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all district computers with Internet access have a technology protection measure that blocks or filters Internet access to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography, or harmful to minors and that the operation of such measures is enforced. (20 USC 6777, 47 USC 254)

To reinforce these measures, the Superintendent or designee shall implement rules and procedures designed to restrict students' access to harmful or inappropriate matter on the Internet and to ensure that students do not engage in unauthorized or unlawful online activities. Staff shall supervise students while they are using online services and may have teacher aides, student aides, and volunteers assist in this supervision.

The Superintendent or designee also shall establish regulations to address the safety and security of students and student information when using email, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communication.

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The Superintendent or designee shall provide age-appropriate instruction regarding safe and appropriate behavior on social networking sites, chat rooms, and other Internet services. Such instruction shall include, but not be limited to, the dangers of posting personal information online, misrepresentation by online predators, how to report inappropriate or offensive content or threats, behaviors that constitute cyberbullying, and how to respond when subjected to cyberbullying.

Student use of district computers to access social networking sites is prohibited to the extent possible, the Superintendent or designee shall block access to such sites on district computers with Internet access.

Legal Reference

<u>State</u>	<u>Description</u>
Civ. Code 3120-3123	Digital equity bill of rights
Ed. Code 49073.6	Student records; social media
Ed. Code 51006	Computer education and resources
Ed. Code 51007	Programs to strengthen technological skills
Ed. Code 60044	Prohibited instructional materials
Pen. Code 313	Harmful matter
Pen. Code 502	Computer crimes; remedies
Pen. Code 632	Eavesdropping on or recording confidential communications
Pen. Code 653.2	Electronic communication devices; threats to safety
<u>Federal</u>	<u>Description</u>
15 USC 6501-6506	Children's Online Privacy Protection Act
16 CFR 312.1-312.12	Children's Online Privacy Protection Act
20 USC 7101-7122	Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants
20 USC 7131	Internet Safety
47 CFR 54.520	Internet safety policy and technology protection measures; E-rate discounts
47 USC 254	Universal service discounts (E-rate)
<u>Management Resources</u>	<u>Description</u>
California Department of Education Publication	Artificial Intelligence: Learning with AI Learning About AI
Court Decision	New Jersey v. T.L.O. (1985) 469 U.S. 325
CSBA Publication	Cyberbullying: Policy Considerations for Boards, Policy Brief, July 2007

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<u>Management Resources</u>	<u>Description</u>
Federal Trade Commission Publication	<u>How to Protect Kids' Privacy Online: A Guide for Teachers, December 2000</u>
U.S. Department of Education Publication	<u>2024 National Education Technology Plan</u>
USDOE Office of Educational Technology Publication	<u>Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Teaching and Learning: Insights and Recommendations, May 2023</u>
Website	<u>California Governor's Office of Emergency Services</u>
Website	<u>CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services</u>
Website	<u>California Coalition for Children's Internet Safety</u>
Website	<u>Center for Safe and Responsible Internet Use</u>
Website	<u>Federal Trade Commission, Children's Online Privacy Protection</u>
Website	<u>American Library Association</u>
Website	<u>Federal Communications Commission</u>
Website	<u>California Department of Education</u>
Website	<u>U.S. Department of Education</u>
Website	<u>CSBA</u>

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