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RE: Student Data Privacy Annual Notice

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Lordstown Local School District (LLSD) recognizes and appreciates the importance of parents understanding how the LLSD protects students' privacy against unauthorized access while using school technology, as well as the circumstances in which the LLSD may access or monitor certain student activity.

Additionally, this letter serves as the annual notice to parents regarding technology privacy consistent with the Ohio Revised Code Sections 3319.325-327. Each school year, the LLSD will provide parent(s) with notification of the circumstances in which the LLSD or an affiliated technology provider accesses or monitors your child's school-issued device as defined by state law.

The LLSD generally monitors a school-issued device for non-commercial educational purposes for instruction, technical support, or exam-proctoring by LLSD employees, student teachers, contracted staff, a vendor, or the Department of Education. The LLSD or its technology provider also generally monitors a school-issued device when it is necessary to comply with federal or state law and to participate in federal and state funding programs; as well as to prevent or respond to a threat to life or safety, and the access is limited to that purpose. Additionally, the LLSD or its technology provider will generally access or monitor a school-issued device when it becomes aware that the device is missing or stolen or if such action is permitted under a judicial warrant or subpoena, unless otherwise prohibited by state or federal law.

Based on the above permissible reasons, the LLSD or its technology provider may access or monitor a school-issued device through student interaction(s) with the device, including, but not limited to, keystrokes and web-browsing activity; location-tracking features of a school-issued device; and/or audio or visual receiving, transmitting, or recording feature(s).

The LLSD partners with technology providers to give students educational opportunities through online tools that facilitate curriculum, testing, and assessments. As part of our relationship with those providers, they may have access to some of your child's education records. The LLSD, in partnership with the technology providers, continues to comply with student data privacy laws, including R.C. 3319.325-327, FERPA, and COPPA.

For a list of the technology providers partnering with the LLSD and description of the education records potentially accessed by those providers, please review the list at the following web address: https://sdpc.a4l.org/district_listing.php?districtID=4864.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this notification, please reach out to the LLSD Technology Coordinator.

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