

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

Purpose

The Board of Education recognizes that Artificial Intelligence (AI) and emerging technologies may provide educational benefits when used responsibly and in accordance with applicable law. The district shall implement appropriate safeguards to ensure such technologies are used in a manner that protects student privacy, supports instruction, and preserves human decision-making.

Definitions

For purposes of this policy, "Artificial Intelligence" means technology that performs tasks normally requiring human intelligence, including but not limited to generating text, images, audio, video, data analysis, recommendations, or automated responses.

General Principles

1. AI technologies shall be used to support and enhance instruction and operations and shall not replace the professional judgment of educators and administrators.
2. The use of AI within the district shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, including FERPA, COPPA, CIPA, the Oklahoma Student Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act, and the Oklahoma Responsible Technology in Schools Act.

Human Oversight

1. All instructional uses of AI shall occur under the direction and supervision of a district employee.
2. District personnel shall review AI-generated content prior to its use in instruction, assessment, feedback, communication, or decision-making.
3. AI systems shall not serve as the primary basis for decisions involving:
 - Student grading;
 - Discipline;
 - Placement;
 - Promotion;
 - Retention;
 - Eligibility determinations; or
 - Any other high-stakes educational decision.

Student Use

1. Student-facing AI tools shall:
 - Be age and developmentally appropriate;
 - Serve a clearly defined educational purpose; and
 - Be approved by the district prior to use.
2. Teachers may establish reasonable classroom expectations regarding appropriate student use of AI technologies.
3. Students shall remain responsible for the originality and accuracy of work submitted for academic credit.

Data Privacy and Security

1. The district shall take reasonable steps to minimize student data shared with AI tools.
2. Prior to implementation, AI tools shall be reviewed for:
 - Data privacy protections;
 - Security standards;
 - Vendor contractual protections;
 - Compliance with applicable law.
3. District personnel shall not input confidential student information into non-approved AI systems.

Transparency

The district shall provide information to students and families regarding the instructional use of AI technologies and their educational purpose.

At least annually, the district shall provide notice identifying:

- AI tools used by the district;
- Vendors providing such tools;
- Categories of student information collected;
- The extent of data sharing;
- The educational purpose of each tool.

Parent Opt-Out

Parents or legal guardians may submit written notice requesting that their student not participate in student-facing AI tools.

Students who opt out shall not be academically penalized or denied access to core instructional content.

Administrative Regulations

The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations necessary to implement this policy, including:

- Approval procedures for AI tools;
- Staff training requirements;
- Student and parent communications;
- Data governance procedures;
- Acceptable use expectations;
- Annual review procedures.

Policy Review

This policy shall be reviewed periodically and updated as necessary to address changes in technology, law, and educational practices.