

STUDENTS
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The following age-appropriate and grade level differentiated provisions shall govern student use of internet-enabled devices on school grounds during the school day.

A. Kindergarten through Grade 8

1. Students in Kindergarten through grade 8 are prohibited from using an internet-enabled device on school grounds during the school day.
2. Students in Kindergarten through grade 8 shall store their internet-enabled device using the following storage options for internet-enabled devices during the school day. It is the student's responsibility to turn off the internet-enabled device and have the internet-enabled device password protected to prevent any unauthorized use of the device.

- B. In addition, the Board believes students and/or school staff members should not be subject to having any type of recording taken of any student(s) or school staff member(s) for any purpose without the consent of the student and the student's parent or the school staff member. In addition to protecting the privacy rights of students and school staff members, the Board recognizes such recordings can be disruptive to the educational program. Inappropriate recordings of educational material, student assessment instruments, and/or student assessment reviews can be used to compromise the integrity of the district's educational program or lead to academic dishonesty in the event such recordings are stored and/or transmitted to other students.

Storage System

A student storage system – Each student who brings an internet-enabled device to school is expected to turn off their internet-enabled device and store it in their backpack, locker, or other bag throughout the entire school day.

School Buses

Students in Kindergarten through grade 8 shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device on a school bus on their way to school at the start of the school day or on their way home from school at the end of the school day.

Before and After the Regular School Day on School Grounds

Students in Kindergarten through grade 8 shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device on school grounds before the start of the regular school day and on school grounds after the regular school day.

School-Sponsored Events Off School Grounds During the School Day

Students in Kindergarten through grade 8 shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device during school-sponsored events off school grounds during the school day while under the direct supervision of a school staff member or employee of the Board (e.g. field trip) after determining no reasonable alternative to the use of the internet-enabled device at school-sponsored events off school grounds during the school day exists only with the authorization of the Superintendent or designee.

School-Sponsored Events Outside of the School Day

Students in Kindergarten through grade 8 shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device during school-sponsored events taking place outside of the school day when students are under the direct supervision of a school staff member or employee of the Board (e.g., afterschool club meeting, sport team practice/game, etc.).

Use of Non-Internet-Enabled Devices

Students in Kindergarten through grade 8 with non-internet enabled devices must follow the same rules and expectations as internet-enabled devices. Students are not permitted to use non-internet-enabled devices from bell to bell. These devices will be governed by the same rules, expectations, and discipline procedures as internet-enabled devices.

Discipline

School staff members shall apply clear, age-appropriate consequences and use strategies to redirect students who use internet-enabled devices in violation of this Regulation and Policy 5516.

- (1) First Offense in a School Year – Student will be given a warning and requested to put device away appropriately.
- (2) Second Offence in a School Year
 - (a) The internet-enabled device shall be taken from the student by a school staff member or employee of the Board and turned in to the Principal or designee's office for the

remainder of the school day. The parent will be emailed about the offense.

- (b) It is the student's responsibility to turn off the internet-enabled device and have the internet-enabled device password protected to prevent any unauthorized use of the internet-enabled device before turning the internet-enabled device in to the school staff member or employee of the Board.
- (c) The student will be permitted to pick up the internet-enabled device in the Principal or designee's office at the end of the school day.

(3) Third Offense in a School Year

- (a) The internet-enabled device shall be taken from the student by the school staff member or employee of the Board and turned in to the Principal or designee's office for the remainder of the school day.
- (b) It is the student's responsibility to turn off the internet-enabled device and have the internet-enabled device password protected to prevent any unauthorized use of the internet-enabled device before turning the internet-enabled device in to the school staff member or employee of the Board.
- (c) The internet-enabled device must be picked up at the Principal or designee's office by a parent at the end of the school day.
- (d) If the parent cannot pick up the internet-enabled device by the end of the school day, the parent may pick up the internet-enabled device before the end of the next or any subsequent school day.

(4) Fourth Offense in a School Year

- (a) The internet-enabled device shall be taken from the student by the school staff member or employee of the Board and turned in to the Principal or designee's office for the remainder of the school day.
- (b) It is the student's responsibility to turn off the internet-enabled device and have the internet-enabled device

password protected to prevent any unauthorized use of the internet-enabled device before turning the internet-enabled device in to the school staff member or employee of the Board.

- (c) The internet-enabled device must be picked up at the Principal or designee's office by a parent at the end of the school day.
- (d) If the parent cannot pick up the internet-enabled device by the end of the school day, the parent may pick up the internet-enabled device before the end of the next or any subsequent school day.
- (e) The matter will be referred to the Student Assistance Team and a meeting will be held to further support the student.

(5) Any Additional Offenses in a School Year

- (a) The internet-enabled device shall be taken from the student by the school staff member or employee of the Board and turned in to the Principal or designee's office for the remainder of the school day.
- (b) It is the student's responsibility to turn off the internet-enabled device and have the internet-enabled device password protected to prevent any unauthorized use of the internet-enabled device before turning the internet-enabled device in to the school staff member or employee of the Board.
- (c) The internet-enabled device must be picked up at the Principal or designee's office by a parent at the end of the school day.
- (d) If the parent cannot pick up the internet-enabled device by the end of the school day, the parent may pick up the internet-enabled device before the end of the next or any subsequent school day.
- (e) Disciplinary action enforced per Student Code of Conduct policy.

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