

## JS - STUDENT USE OF DISTRICT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Student use of District information technology is a privilege, not a right, and is only authorized for education-related purposes. Student use of District information technology shall be in accordance with this policy, in accordance with governing law and in accordance with other relevant District policies and regulations. Each time a student uses a District computer or network, the student shall acknowledge the terms and conditions in this policy that govern the student's use of District information technology.

Student authorization to use District information technology may be suspended at any time it is in the District's best interest to do so, as determined by the District in its sole discretion. The District reserves the right to set and revise limits on student network bandwidth usage and e-mail and file storage on District computers. Student authorization to use District information technology



on all District computers and PCDs through which students may gain Internet access. District employees responsible for classes, programs or activities involving student Internet access shall instruct the students, prior to allowing such access, regarding Internet safety and appropriate online behavior. District employees responsible for classes, programs or activities involving student Internet access shall also assist the students to develop skills to discriminate among information sources, to identify information appropriate to their age and developmental levels, and to search, evaluate and use information appropriate to their educational goals. The District may monitor students' online activity to verify that they are safely and appropriately using the Internet. Despite these protections, it is possible that a student might encounter inappropriate material through Internet access using the District's computers, PCDs and/or network. If this occurs, the student shall immediately back out of the site and notify a responsible District employee.

### HARDWARE, PERIPHERALS, SOFTWARE AND PROGRAMS

Students shall not hook up or otherwise attach any hardware or peripheral equipment to a District computer or PCD unless expressly authorized by a building technology coordinator or District technology support personnel. Students shall not directly or indirectly modify or circumvent the operating condition set by the information technology department on any District computer or PCD unless expressly authorized by a building technology coordinator or District technology support personnel.

### PROHIBITED USES

Students shall not use District information technology to generate, send, receive or store communications, documents, data, software or other information that:

contains sexually oriented content or pornography, in either written or picture form, that may be reasonably perceived as having the purpose or effect of stimulating erotic feelings or appealing to prurient interests;

directs profanity, obscenities or vulgar language toward another person or classification of persons;

promotes violence or advocates unlawful acts;

concerns the purchase or manufacture of weapons, controlled substances, or items that it is not lawful to acquire and/or own;

harasses, bullies, threatens or promotes violence against another person or classification of persons;

concerns the purchase or sale of goods and/or services, or any transaction or advertising related to the student's personal interests or profit;

constitutes plagiarism;

defames another person or classification of persons;

violates another person's confidentiality rights, or discloses information regarding which another person has a reasonable expectation of privacy;

involves impersonation or electronic transmission through an anonymous remailer;

involves unauthorized access to District computers, computer files, e-mail accounts, e-mail files, or Internet sites;

involves unauthorized use or downloading of software, files or data;

violates federal, state or local law, including but not limited to criminal law and trademark, copyright or patent law;

violates District policy or regulation;

interferes with the normal operation or use of District computers, e-mail or Internet access, or otherwise disrupts District operations;

interferes with a school's ability to provide educational opportunities to students.

## CONSEQUENCES FOR POLICY VIOLATION

Students found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to consequences that may include the suspension or revocation of use privileges, detention, and suspension or expulsion from school.

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### LEGAL REFS:

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### CROSS REFS:

EHA, District Information Technology

EHB, Records Retention

GBEE, Employee Use of District Information Technology

JKDA/JKEA, Grounds for Suspension/Expulsion of Students

JRA/JRC, Student Records/Release of Information on Students