

Student Digital Device and Internet Use

RSU 40/MSAD 40's (District) digital devices, networks and Internet access are provided to support the educational mission of the schools and to enhance the curriculum and learning opportunities for students and school staff. This policy and the accompanying regulations apply to digital devices issued directly to students, whether in use at school, off school premises or taken home in accordance to district policy.

Student use of school digital devices, networks and Internet services is a privilege, not a right. Compliance with the District's policies and regulations concerning digital device use is mandatory. Students who violate these policies and regulations may have their device privileges limited, suspended or revoked.

The building principal shall determine, after considering the circumstances involved, whether and for how long a student's device privileges will be altered. The building principal's decision will be final. Such violations may also result in disciplinary action, referral to law enforcement and/or legal action.

District digital devices remain under the control, custody and supervision of the District at all times. The District monitors all digital and Internet activity by students. Students shall have no expectation of privacy in their use of school digital devices, whether they are used on school property or elsewhere.

Internet Safety

The District utilizes filtering technology designed to block materials that are obscene or harmful to minors. Although the District takes precautions to supervise student use of the Internet, parents should be aware that the District cannot reasonably prevent all instances of inappropriate digital device use by students including access to objectionable materials and communication with persons outside of the school. The District is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of information that students obtain through the Internet.

The Superintendent /designee shall be responsible for integrating age-appropriate Internet safety training and "digital citizenship" into the curriculum, for documentation of Internet safety training and informing students and parents of this policy and accompanying regulations.

The Superintendent/designee is responsible for implementing this policy and the accompanying regulations. Additional administrative procedures or school regulations governing the day-to-day management and operations of the District's computer system may be implemented, consistent with Board policies and regulations. The Superintendent may delegate specific responsibilities deemed appropriate.

Cross Reference: IJNDB-R Student Computer and Internet Use Regulations
GCSA Employee Computer and Internet Use
EGAD Copyright Compliance
JICDA Student Code of Conduct

Legal Reference: 20 USC § 677 (Enhancing Education through Technology Act)
47 USC § 254(h) (5) (Children’s Internet Protection Act)
47 CFR § 54.52 (Children’s Internet Protection Act Certifications)
Federal Communications Commission Order and Report 11-125

This is a required policy.

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