



BOARD POLICY

237 Electronic Devices

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Purpose

The Board adopts this policy in order to support an educational environment that is orderly, safe and secure for district students and employees.

Definition

~~**Electronic devices** shall include all devices that can take photographs; record, play or edit audio or video data; store, transmit or receive calls, messages, text, data or images; operate online applications; or provide a wireless, unfiltered connection to the Internet.~~

Proposed change: *Electronic devices shall include all devices, including wearable devices that can take photographs; record, play, or edit audio or video data; store, transmit, or receive calls, messages, text, data, or images; operate online applications; or provide a wireless, unfiltered connection to the Internet. By way of example and without limitation, this includes smartphones, tablets, smartwatches, meta-glasses, recording pendants, digital cameras, audio recorders, and any other similar electronic device capable of capturing, recording, or transmitting visual or audio content.*

Prohibited Wearable Recording Devices

Notwithstanding any other provision of this policy, the possession or use of any wearable device capable of capturing, recording, or transmitting audio or video content is prohibited at all times in district buildings, on district property, on district buses and vehicles, and during the time students are under the supervision of the district. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to, meta-glasses, recording pendants, and any other similar wearable device with audio or video recording capabilities. Smartphones, watches, and other handheld electronic devices remain subject to all other provisions of this policy.

Authority

The Board prohibits use of electronic devices by students during the school day in district buildings; on district property; on district buses and vehicles; and during the time students are under the supervision of the district.^[1]

The Board prohibits use of electronic devices in locker rooms, bathrooms, health suites and other

changing areas at any time.

Exceptions:

The building principal may grant approval for possession and use of an electronic device by a student for the following reasons:

1. Health, safety or emergency reasons.
2. An Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Section 504 Service Agreement.^{[2][3]}
3. Classroom or instructional-related activities, under the supervision of the classroom teacher.
4. Other reasons determined appropriate by the building principal.

The district shall not be liable for the loss, damage or misuse of any electronic device.

Electronic Images and Photographs

The Board prohibits the taking, storing, disseminating, transferring, viewing, or sharing of obscene, pornographic, lewd, or otherwise illegal images or photographs, whether by electronic data transfer or other means, including but not limited to texting and emailing.

Because such violations may constitute a crime under state and/or federal law, the district may report such conduct to state and/or federal law enforcement agencies.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify students, parents/guardians and employees about the Board's electronic device policy.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations to implement this policy.

Guidelines

Violations of this policy by a student shall result in disciplinary action and may result in confiscation of the electronic device.^{[4][5][6]}

Last Modified by Lu Ann McKenna on July 6, 2022

Legal Footnotes

[1] 1949 Act 14
LEGAL REFERENCE