

2363 ~~PUPIL-STUDENT~~ USE OF PRIVATELY-OWNED TECHNOLOGY

The Board of Education recognizes technology is always changing and as a result of increased accessibility to technology many ~~pupils-students~~ possess technology devices for their use during non-school hours. These privately-owned devices may be beneficial to ~~pupils-students~~ during school hours for approved educational purposes. Therefore, the Board of Education will allow ~~pupils students~~ to use their privately-owned technology devices under conditions outlined in this Policy.

For the purpose of this Policy, "technology" means hardware or software.

For the purpose of this Policy, "privately-owned" means technology hardware and software that is purchased, owned, and maintained by the ~~pupil-student~~ at no expense to the school or school district.

For the purpose of this Policy, "hardware" means any device that can store, access, retrieve, and/or communicate data or information. "Hardware" may include, but is not limited to, any type of computer device; wireless telephone; electronic reader; personal digital assistant (PDAs); video broadcasting and/or recording device; or camera.

For the purpose of this Policy, "software" means any computer program(s) or related data that provide instruction for telling a computer or other hardware device what to do and how to do it.

The use of privately-owned technology by a ~~pupil-student~~ in the educational program during the school day must be approved by the ~~pupil's-student's~~ parent or legal guardian and the school teaching staff member responsible for supervising and/or providing the ~~pupil's-student's~~ instructional program. A teaching staff member may approve a ~~pupil's-student's~~ use of privately-owned technology based on the assignment(s) to the ~~pupilstudent~~. The teaching staff member may also prohibit the use of privately-owned technology for an assignment(s).

**[Optional**

Teaching staff members shall notify their immediate supervisor or Principal that students will be using privately-owned technology during instructional time.

Teaching staff members must get prior approval from their immediate supervisor or Principal before allowing students to use privately-owned technology during instructional time.]

~~Pupils shall not use privately owned technology as a telephone or to send text or similar messages during classroom hours except as maybe directed by the classroom teachers.~~

~~Teaching staff members shall notify their supervisor or Principal when pupils will be using privately-owned technology during instructional time.~~

~~Pupils-Students~~ who use privately-owned technology in school will not be given access to the school district's computer server(s) or printer(s). In the event the teaching staff member approves the use of privately-owned technology to access the Internet, the access must be through the privately-owned technology without the use of any school district hardware or software. A teaching staff member who approves a ~~pupil-student~~ to use their privately-owned technology to access the Internet during instructional time will provide the ~~pupil-student~~ with a list of approved Internet sites the ~~pupil-student~~ is permitted to access ~~during the class~~. A ~~pupil-student~~ granted such permission must comply with school district policies and regulations regarding acceptable use of computers and technology. Any use of privately-owned technology by a ~~pupil-student~~ shall be in strict accordance with the teaching staff member's specific approval(s) and Board policies and regulations. Any violation will subject the ~~pupil-student~~ to appropriate discipline and/or grading consequences.

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The teaching staff member, in considering the use of privately-owned technology, will ensure such approval does not provide any ~~unfair~~ advantage or benefit to the ~~pupil-student~~ who owns such technology over the ~~pupil-student~~ who does not own such technology. The teaching staff member will not approve the use of privately-owned technology if the teaching staff member determines the use would be ~~unfairly~~ advantageous ~~or beneficial~~ to the ~~pupil-student~~ who owns such technology over the ~~pupil-student~~ who does not own such technology.

The school district assumes no responsibility for any privately-owned technology brought to school by a ~~pupilstudent~~. The ~~pupil-student~~ shall be responsible for the proper operation and use of any privately-owned technology brought to school. School staff members shall not be responsible for the effective use and/or technical support for any privately-owned technology.

The school district shall assume no responsibility for the security of or damage to any privately-owned technology brought to school by a ~~pupilstudent~~. ~~Pupils-Students~~ are encouraged to purchase private insurance for loss, damage, or theft of any privately-owned technology the ~~pupil-student~~ brings to school.

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