

## COMPUTER USE IN INSTRUCTION

The Board of Education is committed to optimizing student learning and teaching. The Board considers student access to a computer network, including the Internet, to be a powerful and valuable educational and research tool, and encourages the use of computers and computer-related technology in district classrooms solely for the purpose of advancing and promoting learning and teaching.

The computer network can provide a forum for learning various software applications and through online databases, bulletin boards and electronic mail, can significantly enhance educational experiences and provide statewide, national and global communication opportunities for staff and students.

The Board authorizes use of personal electronic devices by students or staff to access the district's filtered computer network if the student complies with the district's registration process, as well as the provisions of this policy and regulation, policy 5695 regarding student use of personal electronic devices and policy 9180 regarding staff use of personal electronic devices.

Use of the district's computer network and the Internet is a privilege, not a right, and that use entails responsibility. The district reserves the right to control access to the Internet for all users of its computers and network. The district may either allow or prohibit certain kinds of online activity, for example, access to specific websites, programs or applications, or the posting or downloading of content.

The Superintendent of Schools shall establish regulations governing the use and security of the district's computer network. All users of the district's computer network and equipment shall comply with this policy and those regulations. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action as well as suspension and/or revocation of computer access privileges.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for designating a computer network coordinator to oversee the use of district computer resources. The computer coordinator will prepare in-service programs for the training and development of district staff in computer skills, and for the incorporation of computer use in appropriate subject areas.

The Superintendent, working in conjunction with the designated purchasing agent for the district, the computer network coordinator and the instructional materials planning committee, will be responsible for the purchase and distribution of computer software and hardware throughout district schools. They shall prepare and submit for the Board's approval a comprehensive multi-year technology plan which shall be revised as necessary to reflect changing technology and/or district needs.

Cross-ref: 5300, Code of Conduct  
5695, Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices  
9180, Employee Use of Personal Electronic Devices

Adoption date: December 20, 2006

Updated: March 30, 2011, November 12, 2014