

Personal Communication Devices and Social Media

Subject to the conditions of this policy and administrative regulation JFCEB-AR, student possession or use of personal electronic devices on district property, in district facilities during the school day, and while the student is in attendance at district-sponsored activities may be permitted subject to the limitations set forth in this policy and consistent with any additional school rules as may be established by the principal and approved by the superintendent.

A "personal electronic device" is a device that emits an audible signal, vibrates, displays a message, or otherwise summons or delivers a communication to the possessor of the device. These devices include, but are not limited to walkie talkies, either long- or short-range portable radios, portable scanning devices, cellular telephones and pagers, other digital audio devices (e.g., iPODS), personal digital assistants (PDAs), laptop computers, and similar devices with wireless capability.

At no time will any device be allowed which provides for a wireless, unfiltered connection to the Internet. The district will not be liable for personal electronic devices brought to district property and district-sponsored activities.

Students may not access social media sites using district equipment, while on district property, or at district-sponsored activities unless the posting is approved by a district representative.

Social media websites are websites such as, but not limited to, Facebook, MySpace, and Twitter.

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Students whose behavior is found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to loss of privileges and disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion for using a personal electronic device in any manner that is academically dishonest, illegal, or violates the terms of this policy.¹ A referral to law enforcement official also may be made.

The superintendent is directed to develop administrative regulations and/or approve school rules as necessary to ensure that student use of such devices is consistent with this policy. Administrative regulations may include grade- or age-level possession and/or use restrictions by students on district property and at district-sponsored activities, consequences for violations and such other provisions as the superintendent may deem necessary. The superintendent may provide for the confiscation of personal

¹The taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing of obscene, pornographic, or otherwise illegal images or photographs, whether by electronic data transfer or otherwise (commonly called texting, sexting, emailing, etc.) may constitute a crime under state and/or federal law. Any person taking, disseminating, transferring, or sharing obscene, pornographic, or otherwise illegal images or photographs will be reported to law enforcement and/or other appropriate state or federal agencies.

electronic devices, and the delivery of such devices to law enforcement, if requested for evidence purposes. The superintendent is responsible for ensuring that pertinent provisions of Board policies, administrative regulation, and school rules governing personal electronic devices are included in student/parent handbooks and other means, reviewed annually, and updated as necessary.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

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Cross Reference(s):

GBNAA/JFCFA - Cyberbullying

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