

## Video Surveillance/Video Cameras on Transportation Vehicles

The Board recognizes the district's responsibility to maintain order and discipline on school property and in school buses. The Board also desires to afford students and staff privacy in respect to the records maintained by the district. The Board recognizes the value of electronic surveillance systems in monitoring activity on school property and in school buses in furtherance of protecting the health, welfare and safety of its students and staff. The students and staff of the district recognize that their security and safety depends upon the capacity of the district to maintain discipline and that a certain amount of restraint upon the activities of students is assumed and expected.

The Board, having carefully weighed and balanced the rights of privacy of students and staff against the district's duty to maintain order and discipline, finds that it is appropriate to provide for the use of video camera surveillance in transportation vehicles and on school grounds as follows:

1. The district shall notify its students and staff that video surveillance may occur on any school property or on any transportation vehicle. The district shall incorporate said notice in the student handbook;
2. The use of video surveillance equipment on transportation vehicles shall be supervised by the safety/discipline officer of Mid Columbia Bus Company for Sherman County operations. The use of video surveillance equipment on school grounds and on other district property shall be supervised and controlled by the building administrator or other responsible administrator;
3. The use of video recordings from surveillance equipment shall be subject to the other policies of the district including policies concerning the confidentiality of student and personnel records;
4. Video surveillance shall only be used to promote the order, safety and security of students, staff and property;
5. Students or staff in violation of Board policies, administrative regulations, building rules or law shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. Others may be referred to law enforcement agencies;
6. Video recordings may become a part of a student's educational record or a staff member's personnel record. The district shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws related to record maintenance and retention.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 30.864](#)  
[ORS 192.420 - 192.505](#)  
[ORS 326.565](#)  
[ORS 326.575](#)

[ORS 336.187](#)  
[ORS 342.850](#)

[OAR 581-021-0210 to -0440](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1660](#)  
[OAR 581-053-0240\(81\)](#)

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 - 1427 (2006).

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2011); Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (2011).

In the matter of A.O., A Minor (March 28, 1988) (Superintendent of Public Instruction Ruling).