

## **Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media\*\***

Students may be allowed to use and possess personal electronic devices on district property and at school-sponsored activities provided such devices are not used in any manner that may disrupt the learning environment, district-sponsored activities or violate Board policies, administrative regulations, school or classroom rules, state and federal law.

As used in this policy, a “personal electronic device” is a device not issued by the district and is capable of electronically communicating, sending, receiving, storing, recording, reproducing and/or displaying information and data.

If the district implements a curriculum that uses technology, students may be allowed to use their own personal electronic devices to access the curriculum. Students who are allowed to use their own devices to access the curriculum will be granted access to any application or electronic materials when they are available to students who do not use their own devices, or provided free of charge to students who do not use their own devices for curriculum.

The district will not be liable for personal electronic devices brought to district property and district-sponsored activities. The district will not be liable for information or comments posted by students on social media websites when the student is not engaged in district activities and not using district equipment.

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; a process for responding to a student’s request to use a personal electronic device, including an appeal process if the request is denied; and such other provisions as the superintendent may deem necessary. The superintendent is responsible for ensuring that pertinent provisions of Board policies, administrative regulations and school rules governing personal electronic devices are communicated to staff, students and parents and are included in student/parent handbooks and updated as necessary.

END OF POLICY

**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 336.840](#)

Copyrights, 17 U.S.C. §§ 101- 1332; 19 C.F.R. Part 133 (2006).