INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY STATEMENT

Mission

The district provides electronic information resources to students and staff. It is our mission to improve learning and teaching through interpersonal communication, student access to information, research, teacher training, collaboration and dissemination of successful educational practices, methods and materials. The Board of Education supports the right of students, employees, and community members to have reasonable access to various information formats and believes it is incumbent upon users to utilize this privilege in an appropriate and reasonable manner.

Safety Procedures and Guidelines

The Superintendent shall develop and implement appropriate procedures to provide guidance for access to electronic information. Internet safety measures shall be implemented that address the following, within technical and budgetary constraints (or limitations):

- Controlling access by students to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web;
- Safety and security of students when they are using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of electronic communication;
- Preventing unauthorized access, including “hacking” and other unlawful activities by students online;
- Unauthorized disclosure, use and dissemination of personal information regarding students; and
- Restricting students’ access to materials harmful to them.

District procedures shall address teacher supervision of student computer use, ethical use of electronic media (including, but not limited to, the internet, e-mail, and other district technology resources), and issues of privacy versus administrative review of electronic files and communications. In addition, guidelines shall prohibit utilization of networks for prohibited or illegal activities, the intentional spreading of embedded messages, or the use of other programs with the potential of damaging or destroying programs or data.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
48910 Required Notification at beginning of term
48900-48900.4 Suspension and expulsion
48907 Freedom of expression
51006 Computer education and resources
51007 Programs to strengthen technological skills
51865 California distance learning policy
51870.5 Student Internet access
51870-57884 Education Technology Act
66010(m) Technology-based materials
60044 Prohibited instructional materials

PENAL CODE
313 Harmful matter
632 Eavesdropping on or recording confidential communications

Policy Adopted: July 18, 2007
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
6801-7005 Technology for Education Act of 1994
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 47
254 Children’s Internet Protection Act

Management Resources:
Board Policy 5050 – Suspension and Expulsion
Board Policy 4341/6103 – Copyright and Plagiarism
Board Policy 5003 – Student Rights and Responsibility
Board Policy 5020 – Distribution of Publications on School Grounds
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT
Section 18.1 – Effect of Agreement
Section 20.0 – District Rights