

Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media**

Students may be allowed to possess and use personal electronic devices on district property during the school day and at district-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 law¹.

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

The district will not be liable for personal electronic devices brought to district property and district-sponsored activities.

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.

Social media tools (as defined in administrative regulation JFCEB-AR - Personal Electronic Devices and Social Media) may be used by students in a manner that supports the instructional and learning environment. The district will not be responsible for information or comments posted by students on social media websites when the student is not using social media tools directly related to district activities.

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 provision of Board policies, administrative regulations and school rules governing personal electronic devices are included in student/parent handbooks, reviewed annually and updated as necessary.

END OF POLICY

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.

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 336.840](#)

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