

## Internet and Electronic Resources

The use of the District's computers and the Internet access provided by the District is a privilege, not a right. The Internet is an electronic highway connecting a multitude of computers throughout the world. Through the Internet, students and employees have access to electronic mail (e-mail), news databases, library resources, and a wide variety of other information sources.

The District provides a wide variety of opportunities for students and employees to use the District's computers to access the Internet. Through the Internet, it is possible to access material which may contain illegal, defamatory, inaccurate, pornographic, and/or offensive content. Due to the nature of the Internet, the District cannot and does not guarantee that students and employees will not access undesirable materials, however, filtering software may be installed by the District to attempt to reduce accessibility of such information.

**Disclaimer of Liability:** The District makes no warranties of any kind, either express or implied, that the functions or the services provided by or through the District Internet system, will be error-free or without defect. The District will not be responsible for any damage users may suffer, including but not limited to, loss of data or interruptions of service. The District is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of the information obtained through or stored on the system. The District will not be responsible for financial obligations arising through the unauthorized use of the District Internet system or through any other electronic means.

**No Expectation of Privacy:** No student or employee shall have any expectation of privacy in any electronic mail being sent or received by the District's computers or the District-provided Internet access. The District's system operator may access any electronic mail and may delete any inappropriate material from any electronic mail sent or received using the District's computers or the District-provided Internet access.

**Use of Software:** Students are prohibited from installing, copying, or downloading any copyrighted material or software on District's computer hardware.

Employees are prohibited from installing, copying, or downloading any copyrighted material or software on District's computer hardware without the express written consent of the copyright holder and the approval of the appropriate administrator or system operator ,or site/district coordinator. Material or software installed, copied or downloaded on District's computer hardware must comply with the District's technology plan.

Note: Should the District be fined or assessed a penalty due to failure to comply with Board policy, the District will pursue, by whatever means necessary, recovery of any fine or assessed penalty.

The Superintendent shall provide administrative regulations on the acceptable use of district computers, software and Internet access. The Superintendent or designee shall design, implement, monitor, and evaluate electronic media resources for instructional and administrative purposes.

CROSS Reference: J-33, Internet/Electronic Resources Information for Students and Parents