

Book Policy Manual

Section 200 Students

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Purpose

The Board of School Directors ("Board") of Springfield School District ("District") supports the use of the Internet and other computer networks in the District's instructional program in order to facilitate learning and teaching, access to information, research and collaboration.

This policy applies to students using District issued technology and user accounts.

The use of network facilities and the Internet shall be consistent with the curriculum adopted by the District as well as the varied instructional needs, learning styles, abilities, and developmental levels of students.

Authority

The electronic information available to students from various sources does not imply endorsement of the content by the District, nor does the District guarantee the accuracy of information received on the Internet. The District shall not be responsible for any information that may be lost, damaged or unavailable when using the network or for any information that is retrieved via the Internet.

The District shall not be responsible for any unauthorized charges or fees resulting from access to the Internet.

The District reserves the right to monitor and log network use and to monitor fileserver space utilization by students, while respecting the privacy rights of student users; however, all data stored or transmitted on the Springfield network can and may be reviewed at the District's discretion. There should be no expectation of privacy when using the District's internet, devices, or accounts.

The Board establishes that use of the Internet and the network facilities is a privilege, not a right; inappropriate, unauthorized and illegal use will result in the cancellation of those privileges. Appropriate disciplinary action may be taken in accordance with established discipline policies and procedures.

Delegation of Responsibility

The District shall make every effort to ensure that this educational resource is used responsibly by students. This includes educating minors about appropriate online behavior. The District reserves the right to utilize electronic devices and other media to determine that users are in compliance with this policy.

The Superintendent, Executive Director of Operations or their designee shall develop and maintain guidelines and responsibilities for employees of the District that will support this policy.

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