Use Of District Technology, Networks, Internet Services And Information Services

The Governing Board recognizes the value of technology, networks, and Internet services in helping the district achieve its educational purposes. The use of technology, networks, and Internet services can enhance the educational program and help students develop the knowledge and skills they need to be successful. In addition, the use of technology, networks, Internet services and information services can help staff support the educational program, strengthen district communications, and improve operational efficiency.

The district provides technology, networks, Internet services and information services for the specific and limited purpose of achieving the district's goals and accomplishing its educational and organizational purposes.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop specific regulations and appropriate disciplinary actions regarding use of district technology, networks, Internet services and information services. The regulations shall address access by students, employees and authorized guests to the Internet and on-line sites that contain or make reference to harmful matter as defined in subdivision (a) of Penal Code Section 313.

1. Technology is defined as personal digital assistants (PDA), cell phones, computers, computer peripherals, digital cameras, video cameras, two-way communication devices, pagers, Internet appliances and any electronic devices attached to the district's networks.

2. Networks are defined as the infrastructure necessary to transport voice, data, or video networks within the district.

3. Internet Services are defined as any services provided by the district, which gives access to the Internet.

4. Information Services are defined as those electronic resources necessary to conduct the district's business.

5. Harmful matter includes, but is not limited to, matters, taken as a whole, which to the average person, applying contemporary statewide standards, appeals to the prurient interest and is matter which depicts or describes in a patently offensive way sexual conduct which lacks serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value to minors.

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

51006 Computer education and resources

51007 Programs to strengthen technological skills
60011 Instructional materials definition

60017.1 Technology-based materials

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6801-7005 Technology for Education Action of 1994

254 Children's internet Protection Plan (CIPA) of 2001

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