

STUDENT USE OF COMPUTERS, DEVICES AND THE INTERNET

The New Boston School District's computers/devices, software systems, network, and Internet services are provided to support the educational mission of the District and its schools. This policy and the accompanying responsible use rules apply to all students' use of all district and student owned technology devices and systems (ie Google G Suite for Education, Office 365, PowerSchool, Moodle, etc.) whether used or accessed on or off school property.

The Superintendent establishes rules for responsible technology and Internet use. Compliance with the New Boston School District's policies and rules concerning computer/devices, software systems, network and Internet services use is mandatory. Students who violate these policies and rules may have their privileges limited, suspended or revoked. The Principal shall have the final authority to decide whether a student's privileges will be altered, based on the circumstances of the particular case. Such violations may also result in disciplinary action, referral to law enforcement and/or legal action.

New Boston School District computers/devices, software systems, network and Internet Services remain under the control, custody and supervision of the New Boston School District at all times. The District monitors all computer/device and Internet activity by students. Students have no expectation of privacy in their use of computers/devices, software systems, networks and Internet services, whether they are used or accessed on or off school property.

The New Boston School District utilizes filtering technology designed to block materials that are obscene or harmful to minors, and child pornography. The District takes precautions to supervise student use of the Internet and electronic communications and to prevent the unlawful disclosure, use or dissemination of personally identifiable information about students. The District educates students about safety on the Internet, appropriate online behavior and cyberbullying awareness and response, but parents should be aware that the District cannot reasonably prevent all instances of inappropriate computer/device use by students that may violate School Board policies and rules, including access to objectionable materials and communications.

Students and parents shall be informed of this policy and the accompanying rules through student handbooks, student registration and/or other means selected by the Superintendent.

The Superintendent or his/her designee is responsible for implementing this policy and the accompanying rules. Additional administrative procedures or school rules governing the day-to-day management and operations of the New Boston School District's computers/devices, software systems and network may be implemented by the Superintendent, consistent with School Board policies and rules.

Reference: JICL-R

Legal References:

RSA 194:3-d, School District Computer Networks

47U.S.C. Sec 254, Children's Internet Protection Act. Effective April 20, 2001

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