

R 5516 STUDENT USE OF INTERNET-ENABLED DEVICES

The following age-appropriate and grade level provisions shall govern student use of internet-enabled devices on school grounds during the school day.

A. Kindergarten through Grade Four

1. Students in Kindergarten through grade four are prohibited from using an internet-enabled device on school grounds during the school day.
2. Students in Kindergarten through grade four shall store their internet-enabled device using the following storage options for internet-enabled devices during the school day. It is the student's responsibility to turn off the internet-enabled device and have the internet-enabled device password protected to prevent any unauthorized use of the device.

A student storage system – Each student who brings an internet-enabled device to school is expected to turn off their internet-enabled device and store it in their backpack, locker, or other bag throughout the entire school day.

3. Students in Kindergarten through grade four shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device on a school bus on their way to school at the start of the school day or on their way home from school at the end of the school day.
4. Students in Kindergarten through grade four shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device on school grounds before the start of the regular school day and on school grounds after the regular school day.
5. Students in Kindergarten through grade four shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device during school-sponsored events off school grounds during the school day while under the direct supervision of a school staff member or employee of the Board (e.g. field trip) after determining no reasonable alternative to the use of the internet-enabled device at school-sponsored events off school grounds during the school day exists only with the authorization of the Superintendent or designee.



6. Students in Kindergarten through grade four shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device during school-sponsored events taking place outside of the school day when students are under the direct supervision of a school staff member or employee of the Board (e.g., afterschool club meeting, sport team practice/game, etc.).
7. Students in Kindergarten through grade four shall be permitted to use non-internet-enabled devices under the direct supervision of a school staff member or employee of the Board.

B. Grade Five through Grade Eight

1. Students in grade five through grade eight are prohibited from using an internet-enabled device on school grounds during the school day.
2. Students in grade five through grade eight shall store their internet-enabled device using the following storage options for internet-enabled devices during the school day. It is the student's responsibility to turn off internet-enabled device and have the internet-enabled device password protected to prevent any unauthorized use of the device.

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7. Students in grade five through grade eight shall be permitted to use non-internet-enabled devices under the direct supervision of a school staff member or employee of the Board.

C. Grade Nine through Grade Twelve

1. Students in grade nine through grade twelve are prohibited from using an internet-enabled device on school grounds during the school day.
2. Students in grade nine through grade twelve shall store their internet-enabled device using the following storage options for internet-enabled devices during the school day. It is the student's responsibility to turn off the internet-enabled device and have the internet-enabled device password protected to prevent any unauthorized use of the device.

A student storage system – Each student who brings an internet-enabled device to school is expected to turn off their internet-enabled device and store it in their backpack, locker, or other bag throughout the entire school day.

3. Students in grade nine through grade twelve shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device on a school bus on their way to school at the start of the school day or on their way home from school at the end of the school day.
4. Students in grade nine through grade twelve shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device on school grounds before the start of the regular school day and on school grounds after the regular school day.
5. Students in grade nine through grade twelve shall be permitted to use their internet-enabled device during school-sponsored events off school grounds during the school day while under the direct supervision of a school staff member or employee of the Board (e.g. field trip) after determining no reasonable alternative to the use of the internet-enabled device at school-sponsored events off school grounds during the school day exists only with the authorization of the Superintendent or designee.



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7. Students in grade nine through grade twelve shall be permitted to use non-internet-enabled devices under the direct supervision of a school staff member or employee of the Board.

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