

GBEF – SCHOOL DISTRICT INTERNET ACCESS FOR STAFF

*Category: Priority/Required
by Law See also EHAA, JICL*

The School Board recognizes that technological resources are important and necessary for a modern educational process by offering effective tools to assist in providing a quality instructional program, facilitating communications with parents/guardians, teachers, and the community, supporting District and school operations, and improving access to and exchange of information. The Board expects all staff to learn to use the available technological resources that will assist them in their education. Staff shall receive training, lessons and instruction in the appropriate use of these resources as needed.

Staff shall be responsible for the appropriate use of technology and shall use the District's technological resources primarily for purposes related to their education. Staff are hereby notified that there is **no expectation of privacy** on district computers, computer files, email, internet usage logs, and other electronic data stored on or passing through the electronic systems owned, subscribed to, and/or managed by SAU 39.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all District computers with Internet access have a technology protection measure that prevents access to visual depictions that are obscene, pornographic, or other inappropriate content, and that the operation of such measures is enforced. The Superintendent or designee may disable the technology protection measure during use by an adult to enable access for bona fide research, educational or other lawful purpose.

The Superintendent shall establish administrative regulations and an Acceptable Use Agreement that outlines staff obligations and responsibilities related to the use of District technology. He/she also may establish guidelines and limits on the use of technological resources. Inappropriate use may result in disciplinary action, and/or legal action in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulations.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide copies of related policies, regulations, and guidelines to all staff. Staff shall be required to acknowledge in writing that they have read and understood the District's Acceptable Use Agreement.

Legal References:

RSA 194:3-d, School District Computer Networks

47 U.S.C. §254, Requirements for Certain Schools – Internet Safety

20 U.S.C. §6777, Enhancing Education Through Technology – Internet Safety

Appendix: GBEF-R

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