

OAK CREEK-FRANKLIN JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT POSSESSION OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Possession and use of an electronic communication device by a student is a privilege. A student who chooses to exercise this privilege does so subject to the following conditions:

- The District shall not be responsible for the safety or security of personal electronic equipment that students choose to bring to school. Students who bring any personal electronic device(s) to school do so at their own risk to possible theft, damage, misappropriation of data/equipment, or other loss.
- If a school administrator determines that a student has possessed or used such a device in violation of the law, this policy, or a school rule or directive, the student is subject to appropriate school-imposed consequences, such as the possible loss of privileges, suspension, and/or expulsion. The District may also refer certain matters to law enforcement.
- If a school administrator has reason to suspect or determines that a student has possessed or used an electronic device in violation of the law, this policy, or a school rule or directive, the school administrator may temporarily confiscate the device and/or turn the device over to law enforcement and/or the parent/guardian.
- A device possessed or used by a student at school or in other school-supervised settings may be subject to an appropriately limited search by a school administrator when the administrator has reason to suspect that such a search may lead to evidence of a crime or a violation of Board policy or school rules. The scope of any such search will be limited to the suspected violation.

The rapid expansion of communication technologies, the increasing prevalence of multi-function devices, and the extent to which numerous electronic devices are now Internet-enabled, require the administration to develop, implement, enforce, and revise as necessary rules and procedures that govern students' acceptable use of technology in a manner that incorporates at minimum the following expectations related to students' possession and use of communication devices and other personal electronic devices.

- Students in the various schools have different needs, levels of understanding, and maturity levels. Accordingly, rules regarding student possession and use of communication devices and other personal electronic devices may differentiate among students by grade level or on another reasonable basis.

Please see [Policy 444](#) for more information.