

**CHAPTER 8.00 - AUXILIARY SERVICES**

**TELECOMMUNICATION PLAN AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION USE**

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- (1) The use of Internet or of Internet and other electronic communication networks by teachers, staff, and students is encouraged. Because such networks may contain inappropriate materials or may be inappropriately used or accessed, the Superintendent or designee shall develop guidelines relating to access and use of such networks through school equipment or facilities.
- (2) The District recognizes the use of social media for communication and e-learning; however, only those networks sponsored by the District may be used for classroom instruction or school sponsored activities without prior written approval of the Superintendent.
- (3) Such guidelines, incorporated in these rules by reference, shall be broadly distributed and / or posted in appropriate locations. Such guidelines shall address computer room access; sale of computer services; acceptable use; proper etiquette; use of social media; security; vandalism; harassment; and supervision of student use by staff. Any user violating such guidelines shall be subject to denial of school-based access and such other legal or disciplinary actions as are appropriate to the violation.
- (4) Sexting (The act of electronically sending sexually explicit messages or photographs of oneself) shall be prohibited. All acts of alleged sexting shall be reported to the appropriate legal authority.
- (5) Electronic bullying (Also referred to as cyber bullying, which is the willful and repeated harm inflicted through electronic media) shall be prohibited. It includes the use of electronic devices or the Internet to threaten, harass, embarrass, socially exclude, or damage reputations and friendships.

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