

STUDENT COMPUTER / TECHNOLOGY AND INTERNET USE

Windham Raymond School District's (RSU # 14) computers, technology, network and Internet access are provided to support the educational mission of the schools. This policy and the accompanying rules also apply to laptops/technology issued directly to students, whether in use at school or off school premises. Students are not allowed to use privately-owned computers/technology at school without authorization from the Information Technology Department. A privately-owned computer/technology brought to school without authorization may be confiscated.

Compliance with the District's policies and rules concerning computer/technology use is mandatory. Students who violate these policies and rules may, after being given an opportunity to respond to an alleged violation, have their computer/technology privileges limited, suspended or revoked. The Building Administrator shall have the final authority to decide whether a student's computer/technology 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.

RSU # 14 computers/technology remain under the control, custody and supervision of the District at all times. The District monitors all computer/technology and Internet activity by students. Students have no expectation of privacy in their use of school computers/technology, whether they are used on or off school property.

RSU # 14 utilizes filtering technology designed to block materials that are obscene or harmful to minors, and child pornography. RSU # 14 takes precautions to supervise student use of the Internet and also educates students about appropriate use of the Internet, but parents should be aware that RSU # 14 cannot reasonably prevent all instances of inappropriate computer/technology use by students that may violate Board policies and rules, including access to objectionable materials and communication with persons outside of the school.

Students and parents shall be informed of this policy and the accompanying rules through handbooks, the school web site 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 District's computer/technology systems may be implemented by the Superintendent/Designee, consistent with Board policies and rules.

Cross Reference: IJNDB-R – Student Computer/Technology and Internet Use Rules
JICK – Harassment, Hazing, Bullying

Legal Reference: 47 USC § 254(h)(5) (Children's Internet Protection Act)

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