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## STUDENT COMPUTER AND INTERNET USE

As used herein, the term “Computer[s]” and “computer” refers to any desktop, laptop, or other mobile computing device owned or issued by the Cape Elizabeth School District to any student for whether kept at school or issued to students for school and/or home use. The term “Privately-Owned Computer[s]” refers to any privately-owned desktop, laptop, or other mobile computing device. The term “Computer Services” ~~It also~~ refers to the School District’s servers-network or wireless Internet connections-systems used to access school or ~~web~~Internet-based information systems.

~~Cape Elizabeth School District’s [hereinafter the “school” or “school district”] as well as school provided servers, networks and/or Internet services [hereinafter the “school computer services”] are provided to support the educational mission of the schools.~~

The Cape Elizabeth School District provides Computers and Computer Services to support the educational mission of the schools. This policy and the accompanying rules also apply to the use of these Computers and Computer Services laptops or other computing devices issued directly to students, whether in use at school or off school premises. Students are allowed to use privately-owned computers at school with prior authorization, provided that they comply with this policy and the related rules and policies.

Compliance with the Cape Elizabeth School’s policies and rules concerning Computer ~~use of school computers~~ and ~~school~~ Computer Services use are mandatory. Students who violate these policies and rules may, after being given an opportunity to respond to an alleged violation, have their Computer or Computer Services privileges limited, suspended or revoked. The building administrator shall have the final authority to decide whether a student’s school Computer and/or ~~school~~ Computer Services privileges will be altered, based on the circumstances of the particular case. Such violations may also result in disciplinary action, referral to law enforcements and/or legal action.

Cape Elizabeth School District’s Computers remain under the control, custody and supervision of the school district at all times. The school district shall have the right to monitor, review and have access to all ~~school~~ Computers and information concerning the use of ~~school~~ Computer Services by students, whether those ~~Students have no expectation of privacy in their use of school computers and/or school Computer Services have been accessed on or off school grounds. Students have no expectation of privacy in their use of school Computers and/or Computer Services,~~ whether they are used on or off school property.

The Cape Elizabeth School District utilizes filtering technology designed to block materials that are obscene or harmful to minors and child pornography. The Cape Elizabeth School District’s mobile devices ~~initiative at the high school~~ provides access to

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web-based “app stores” that are privately filtered. The Cape Elizabeth School District 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 the Cape Elizabeth School District cannot reasonably prevent all instances of inappropriate Computer use by all students that may violate Board policies and rules, including access to objectionable materials and communication with persons outside of the school. The school unit is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of information that students obtain through the Internet. In the interest of student safety (‘cyber safety’), Cape Elizabeth also educates students about online behavior, including interacting on social networking sites and chat rooms, and issues surrounding cyberbullying awareness and response.

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 school district’s Computer ~~system~~ Services may be implemented by the Superintendent, consistent with Board policies and rules. The Superintendent may delegate specific responsibilities to the Technology Coordinator, building principals and others, as he/she deems appropriate.

Student and parents shall be informed of this policy and the accompanying rules through handbooks, the school web site, login Computer screens and/or other means selected by the Superintendent.

Cross Reference: IJNDB-R: Student Computer and Internet Use Rules  
JICIA: Weapons, Violence, Bullying and School Safety  
GBEB: Staff Conduct with Students  
GCSA: Employee Computer and Internet Use  
EGAD: Copyright Compliance

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

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