

UNITED SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ELECTRONIC DEVICES

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	<p style="text-align: center;">237. ELECTRONIC DEVICES</p> <p>1. Purpose The Board adopts this policy in order to maintain an educational environment that is safe and secure for district students and employees.</p> <p>2. Definition Electronic devices shall include all devices that can take photographs; record audio or video data; store, transmit or receive messages or images; or provide a wireless, unfiltered connection to the Internet. Examples of these electronic devices include, but shall not be limited to, radios, walkmans, CD players, iPods, MP3 players, DVD players, handheld game consoles, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), cellular telephones, BlackBerries, and laptop computers, as well as any new technology developed with similar capabilities.</p> <p>3. Authority SC 510 SC 1317.1 The Superintendent shall be responsible for developing administrative regulations to implement this policy.</p> <p>The Board prohibits possession of laser pointers and attachments and telephone paging devices/beepers by students in district buildings; on district property; on district buses and vehicles; and at school-sponsored activities.</p> <p>The district shall not be liable for the loss, damage or misuse of any electronic device.</p> <p><u>Electronic Images And Photographs</u></p> <p>The Board prohibits the taking, storing, disseminating, transferring, viewing, or sharing of obscene, pornographic, lewd, or otherwise illegal images or photographs, whether by electronic data transfer or other means, including but not limited to texting and e-mailing.</p> <p>Because such violations may constitute a crime under state and/or federal law, the district may report such conduct to state and/or federal law enforcement agencies.</p>
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Pol. 113	<p><u>Exceptions</u></p> <p>The building administrator may grant approval for possession and use of an electronic device by a student for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Health, safety or emergency reasons.2. An individualized education program (IEP).3. Classroom or instructional-related activities.4. Other reasons determined appropriate by the building principal. <p><u>Telephone Pagers/Beepers</u></p> <p>With prior administrative approval, any telephone paging device/beeper prohibition shall not apply in the following areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A student who is a member of a volunteer fire company, ambulance or rescue squad.2. A student has a need for such a device due to the medical condition of an immediate family member.3. Other reasons determined appropriate by the building principal. <p><u>Laptop Computers/Personal Digital Assistants</u></p> <p>Laptop computers and personal digital assistants (PDAs) brought to school shall be restricted to classroom or instructional-related activities. Students shall comply with the guidelines set by the classroom teacher or school officials for the educational use of laptop computers and PDAs.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 510, 1317.1</p> <p>Board Policy – 000, 113, 122, 123, 218, 226, 233, 815</p>
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