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5 District-Provided Access to Electronic Information, Services, and Networks

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7 General

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9 The District makes Internet access and interconnected computer systems available to District
10 students and faculty. The District provides electronic networks, including access to the Internet, as
11 part its instructional program and to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing,
12 innovation, and communication.

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14 The District expects all students to take responsibility for appropriate and lawful use of this access,
15 including good behavior on-line. The District may withdraw student access to its network and to the
16 Internet when any misuse occurs. District teachers and other staff will make reasonable efforts to
17 supervise use of network and Internet access; however, student cooperation is vital in exercising and
18 promoting responsible use of this access.

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20 Curriculum

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22 Use of District electronic networks will be consistent with the curriculum adopted by the District, as
23 well as with varied instructional needs, learning styles, abilities, and developmental levels of
24 students, and will comply with selection criteria for instructional materials and library materials.
25 Staff members may use the Internet throughout the curriculum, consistent with the District's
26 educational goals.

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28 Acceptable Uses

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30 1. Educational Purposes Only. All use of the District's electronic network must be: (1) in support
31 of education and/or research, and in furtherance of the District's stated educational goals; or
32 (2) for a legitimate school business purpose. Use is a privilege, not a right. Students and
33 staff members have no expectation of privacy in any materials that are stored, transmitted, or
34 received via the District's electronic network or District computers. The District reserves the
35 right to monitor, inspect, copy, review, and store, at any time and without prior notice, any
36 and all usage of the computer network and Internet access and any and all information
37 transmitted or received in connection with such usage.

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39 2. Unacceptable Uses of Network. The following are considered unacceptable uses and constitute a
40 violation of this policy:

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42 A. Uses that violate the law or encourage others to violate the law, including but not
43 limited to transmitting offensive or harassing messages; offering for sale or use any
44 substance the possession or use of which is prohibited by the District's student
45 discipline policy; viewing, transmitting, or downloading pornographic materials or
46 materials that encourage others to violate the law; intruding into

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the networks or computers of others; and downloading or transmitting confidential, trade secret information, or copyrighted materials.

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B. Uses that cause harm to others or damage to their property, including but not limited to engaging in defamation (harming another’s reputation by lies); employing another’s password or some other user identifier that misleads message recipients into believing that someone other than you is communicating, or otherwise using his/her access to the network or the Internet; uploading a worm, virus, other harmful form of programming or vandalism; participating in “hacking” activities or any form of unauthorized access to other computers, networks, or other information.

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C. Uses that jeopardize the security of student access and of the computer network or other networks on the Internet.

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D. Uses that are commercial transactions. Students and other users may not sell or buy anything over the Internet. Students and others should not give information to others, including credit card numbers and social security numbers.

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22Warranties/Indemnification

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24The District makes no warranties of any kind, express or implied, in connection with its provision of
25access to and use of its computer networks and the Internet provided under this policy. The District
26is not responsible for any information that may be lost, damaged, or unavailable when using the
27network or for any information that is retrieved or transmitted via the Internet. The District will not
28be responsible for any unauthorized charges or fees resulting from access to the Internet. Any user is
29fully responsible to the District and will indemnify and hold the District, its trustees, administrators,
30teachers, and staff harmless from any and all loss, costs, claims, or damages resulting from such
31user’s access to its computer network and the Internet, including but not limited to any fees or
32charges incurred through purchase of goods or services by a user. The District expects a user or, if a
33user is a minor, a user’s parents or legal guardian to cooperate with the District in the event of its
34initiating an investigation of a user’s use of access to its computer network and the Internet.

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36Violations

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38If a student violates this policy, the District will deny the student access or will withdraw access and
39may subject the student to additional disciplinary action. An administrator or building principal will
40make all decisions regarding whether or not a user has violated this policy and any related rules or
41regulations and may deny, revoke, or suspend access at any time, with that decision being final.

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