

BOARD POLICY

E-mail, and Other Communication Services, Use of

The Garden Grove Unified School District maintains and provides access to electronic communication services, which includes electronic mail (email) to students and employees. The Board of Education believes in the educational value of such services to develop the technological skills of students, support the curriculum, and assist in administrative responsibilities.

The district provides access to the electronic communication services as a privilege, not a right. As a condition of receiving access privileges, staff, parents/guardians and students must sign a contract in which they acknowledge the benefits and the risks of email access and the consequences for misuse, and release claims against the district for their use of the district's technology. Parents/guardians are provided the opportunity to deny permission for their student to have access privileges in district schools.

Neither the district nor individual schools can fully control the content of information available on email and other communication services. Electronic information resources are invaluable for staff, classroom use and study; however, some of the content is controversial and offensive in nature. It is the intent of the Board to protect students and staff from access to inappropriate material and harmful matter on email and other communication services. To this end, the district has established safety and technology use guidelines outlined in Administrative Regulation 6143.1

Ref: EC Sections: 49073.6, 51006, 51007, 60044, Penal Code 313, 502, 632, 653.2, United States Codes: Title 20, 7101-7122 Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants, 7131 Internet Safety, Title 47, 254 Universal Service Discounts, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 16, 312.1-312.12 Children's Online Privacy Protection Act, Code of Federal Regulations, Title 47, 54.520 Internet Safety Policy and Technology Protection Measures, E-rate Discounts

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