

In accordance with goals established in board policy 6500, Goals of Equipment, Materials and Supplies Services, the board and superintendent will strive to make computers available to all students and to personnel who would be assisted by them.

All computers are under the control of the board, including hardware, software and data and word processing files stored on the computer. No personal software or files are to be kept on the computers. Personal software or files are not to be used on the computer unless sufficient steps, as defined by the superintendent or designee, have been taken to protect the computer from viruses or any other potential damage.

All laws, including copyright laws, will be complied with in the use of computers. Under no circumstance may software purchased by the school district be copied for personal use.

To encourage the effective use of computers in the classroom, the superintendent or his/her designee is encouraged to work with teachers and principals in developing administrative procedures for making computers available to teachers for training purposes. Such administrative procedures may provide for allowing teachers to take computers home as a regular part of instructional planning or professional development.

Legal References: 17 U.S.C. 101, 102, 106, 107, 108, 110, 117; G.S. 115C-523, -524

Cross References: Copyright Compliance (policy 3230/7330), Goals of Equipment, Materials and Supplies Services (policy 6500), Use of Equipment, Materials and Supplies (policy 6520)

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