

REGULATION ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Related Entries: JCC, DI, DI-RA, IH, IH-RA
Responsible Office: DIVISION OF TECHNOLOGY, DIVISION OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION,
DIVISION OF ADVANCED STUDIES AND PROGRAMS

TECHNOLOGY USE BY STUDENTS

A. PURPOSE

Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) is committed to providing safe and quality instructional opportunities for all students. The use of technology by students enhances the instructional program and serves as a supplement to learning and research functions. As such, AACPS encourages the use of and provides access to information technologies and network resources in accordance with federal and State laws.

B. BACKGROUND

This regulation governs the use of technology resources by AACPS students in accordance with federal and State laws, policies and guidelines, including Policy DI – Technology Use and Security and the *AACPS Student Handbook*.

C. DEFINITIONS

Technology – Hardware or software including, computers, laptops, servers, tablets, switches, routers, firewalls, wireless devices, telephones, cellular phones, audio equipment, video equipment, software systems, online resources, and email.

D. PROCEDURES

1. Student Responsibilities

- a. An *Acknowledgement of Review of Student Handbook* form signed by the student and the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) must be filed with the school before a student may access the enterprise network. A student and the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) shall be responsible for complying with the standards that shall be followed when using technology resources.
- b. Students shall use AACPS technology resources in a civil, ethical, legal, and responsible manner in accordance with Policy DI – Technology Use and

Security, AACPS policies and regulations and all applicable federal and State laws, including adherence to Copyright, Fair Use, Privacy, and Terms of Use laws and guidelines.

2. **Web sites**

- a. Web sites representing or affiliated with AACPS shall be under the guidance and supervision of the Communications Office.
- b. In accordance with guidelines established by the Communications Office, school web sites representing or affiliated with AACPS shall be reviewed and by the principal or the principal's designee.
- c. Once a web site has been approved by the principal or the principal's designee, the Communications Office shall review for final approval.
- d. Students who are creating or working on a web site as an assignment may only use an AACPS-approved provider and the teacher shall be responsible for reviewing and authorizing the content.

3. **Compliance**

- a. The use of technology resources is a privilege and maintaining this privilege is dependent upon appropriate use.
- b. Failure to comply with the appropriate use of technology resources may result in disciplinary action, including, expulsion and legal action.
- c. If a principal or the principal's designee, in collaboration with the Chief Information Office and the Office of School Security, determines that a student has violated this regulation, the principal or the principal's designee shall take action in accordance with the *Code of Student Conduct*.

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