



STAFF/STUDENT INTERNET AND APPROPRIATE USE

The board of education believes comprehensive guidelines in the form of administrative procedures are warranted in order to serve the educational needs of student/staff.

Staff/students using the Internet shall comply with the administrative procedures provided by the superintendent regarding Internet use. The board, through its administrative staff, reserves the right to monitor all computer and Internet activity by staff/students. Staff and students must be advised that privacy in the use of the Internet is not guaranteed.

In addition, use of the Internet is a privilege, not a right. Students violating the board's policy and administrative procedure(s) shall be subject to revocation of privileges and potential disciplinary and/or appropriate legal action.

The board makes no assurance of any kind, whether expressed or implied, regarding any Internet services provided. The school system or individual schools in the system will not be responsible for any damages the staff/student/user suffers.

The following paragraph shall be incorporated verbatim in any adopted Internet Access Agreement.

Use of any information obtained via the Internet is at the student's own risk. The school system specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information or software obtained through its services. In order for a staff/student to gain access to the Internet, the student and student's parent(s)/guardian(s) must sign an Internet Network Access Agreement.

The superintendent is authorized to amend or revise the following board-approved initial administrative procedures, as he/she deems necessary and appropriate, consistent with this policy. The superintendent is further authorized to amend or revise the Internet Network Access Agreement with the advice of board counsel.

The global and fluid nature of the Internet network's contents make it extremely difficult for the board to completely regulate and monitor the information received or sent by staff/students. The board cannot assure parents that students will be prevented from accessing undesirable materials or sending or receiving objectionable communications.

It shall be the policy of the Camden County Board of Education that the school district shall have in continuous operation, with respect to any computers belonging to the school having access to the Internet:

1. A qualifying "technology protection measure," as that term is defined in Section 1703(b)(1) of the Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000; and

2. Procedures or guidelines developed by the superintendent, administrators, and/or other appropriate personnel which provide for monitoring the online activities of users and the use of the chosen technology protection measure to protect against access through such computers to visual depictions that are (i) obscene, (ii) child pornography, or (iii) harmful to minors, as those terms are defined in Section 1703(b)(1) and (2) of the Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000. Such procedures or guidelines shall be designed to:

a. Provide for monitoring the online activities of users to prevent, to the extent practicable, access by minors to inappropriate matter on the Internet and the world wide web;

b. Promote the safety and security of minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications; Educate minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms and cyberbullying awareness and response as required by the Children's Internet Protection Act.

c. Prevent unauthorized access, including so-called "hacking," and other unauthorized activities by minors online;

d. Prevent the unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal identification information regarding minors; and

e. Restrict minors' access to materials "harmful to minors," as that term is defined in section 1703(b)(2) of the Children's Internet Protection Act of 2000.

Camden County Schools

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NOTE: *The State of Georgia has moved the Georgia Code. This new environment no longer allows us to link directly to the Georgia Code. For example enter 20-02-0211 in the search window and the Georgia Code will appear.*

Georgia Code

Description

O.C.G.A. 16-09-0090

[Georgia Computer Systems Protection Act](#)

O.C.G.A. 16-09-0091

[Computer Related Crime](#)

O.C.G.A. 16-09-0092

[Definitions](#)

O.C.G.A. 16-09-0093

[Computer crimes defined](#)

O.C.G.A. 16-09-0093.1	Misleading transmittal
O.C.G.A. 16-09-0094	Violations
O.C.G.A. 39-05-0003	Immunity
O.C.G.A. 39-05-0002	Subscriber's control of minor's use of internet
O.C.G.A. 39-05-0004	Internet safety report of certain information
O.C.G.A. 16-11-0037.1	Dissemination of information relating to terroristic acts
US Code	Description
20 USC 6777	Internet Safety
47 USC 254(h)	Universal Service
15 USC 6501	Children's Online Privacy Protection Act - Definitions
15 USC 6502	Children's Online Privacy Protection Act - Collection and use of personal information from and about children on the Internet
15 USC 6503	Children's Online Privacy Protection Act - Safe harbors
15 USC 6504	Children's Online Privacy Protection Act - Actions by states
15 USC 6505	Children's Online Privacy Protection Act - Administration and Applicability

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.