

Technology Ethics

The district encourages information dissemination, collaboration, innovation, and experimentation through the ethical use of technology. The district requires its staff and students to adhere strictly to policy and laws applying to technological hardware and software.

While using the district's technological hardware and software, no one shall engage in harassment, hazing, or name-calling. The use of slurs against any person on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, or disability is prohibited. In such cases involving activity prohibited by district policy and/or law, *rights* accorded to persons by the district, such as to privacy, do not protect an individual from discipline and/or prosecution.

The superintendent shall develop appropriate guidelines for the use of technological equipment by all persons affiliated with the district. Discipline for any unethical use of technology, or its use in violation of district policy and/or law, will be based upon each school's student handbook guidelines, for students; upon progressive discipline guidelines, for staff; and upon appropriate RCW requirements, for volunteers and, when applicable, for students and staff.

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