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Annual Notice: Use of the Internet and Digital Devices by Students (Board Policy 602.26)

Student technology use in the Dallas Center-Grimes School District is governed by board policy 602.26, a complete copy of which is available on our website. This document also addresses the District's internet safety practices as required by the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and in accordance with federal E-Rate guidelines. Please review the following excerpts from Board Policy 602.26:

- Our goal in providing electronic information resources to students is to promote educational excellence by facilitating resource sharing, innovation, and communication. Appropriate and equitable use of this network of information libraries is a privilege that will allow students to access a wide variety of resources.
- The District makes no guarantees as to the accuracy of information received on the Internet. Students might encounter information that may not be of educational value. Students' Internet activities will be monitored by the District, to the extent possible, to ensure students are not accessing inappropriate sites. The District will use technology protection measures to protect students from inappropriate access, including sites that include obscenity, child pornography or are harmful to minors.
- Users who create, access, publish or transmit, or attempt to create, access, publish or transmit, inappropriate or illegal material or Internet sites, or who otherwise violate this policy, will be subject to discipline; which may include the possibility of suspension or expulsion from school and/or referral to legal authorities.
- The District may limit, suspend or revoke student access to electronic resources at any time.
- The District may monitor any and all aspects of its computers, network, Internet access, and/or other technology resources without prior notice, including, but not limited to, monitoring sites students visit on the Internet, examining and copying computer files, and reviewing and copying e-mail.
- Fines or other charges may also be imposed as a result of loss or damage to the District's electronic information resources caused by a student.
- The District's technology resources are the property of the District and no student shall have any expectation of privacy in any materials therein.
- Employees and students will be instructed on the appropriate use of the Internet.

- This District does not and should not take the place of parents educating their children at home about the importance of the Internet and other online appropriate use and safety measures.
- It is advised that students not reveal personal information, such as: home address, phone numbers, password, credit card numbers or social security number, etc.; this also applies to others' personal information or that of organizations. Students shall not share user account information with other persons or attempt to use any other person's account.
- In accordance with Iowa law, the District's policy against harassment and bullying applies to electronic communications such as e-mail messages, internet-based communications, and electronic messaging.
- If a user encounters potentially inappropriate information, the user shall immediately terminate contact with such information and notify appropriate school personnel of the contact with inappropriate information.
- The District makes no warranties of any kind, whether expressed or implied, for the service it is providing. District will not be responsible for any damages the student may suffer while on this system. These damages may include, but are not limited to: loss of data as a result of delays, non-deliveries, mis-deliveries, or service interruptions caused by any reason, including by the system or by student error or omission. Use of any information obtained via the information system is at the student's own risk.

Per board policy, parents must grant permission to allow their students to access the internet. This permission is also required before a device can be issued to the student. Due to our reliance on the Internet and digital devices for educational purposes, you may be contacted by a District administrator to discuss your concerns should you refuse to grant these important technology permissions.

By selecting "Yes", you acknowledge and agree to the excerpts from Board Policy 602.26 and grant permission for your child to access the Internet and digital devices.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

If No is Selected: **WARNING: By selecting NO you are revoking your child's access to important technology resources, including a student device and access to the Internet. Your child may be unable to access all instructional materials, and alternative tools may not be available. Please consider contacting a district administrator before selecting No to this permission.**

Annual Notice: Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA)

The Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) applies to commercial companies and website operators that knowingly collect personal information from children under 13. The goal of COPPA is to place parents in control over what information is collected from their young children online and requires parental consent before such information can be disclosed. With permission, schools may also act as an agent for the parents when disclosing information in an educational context.

Dallas Center-Grimes School District contracts with some vendors, including Google, that require parental consent under COPPA. Teachers may also design lessons that involve the use of online tools which also require consent under COPPA. The disclosure of student information by district staff is subject to local, state, and federal policy including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). No student data will be collected or disclosed for commercial purposes. The district is requesting your permission to collect, use, and disclose your child's data under COPPA to the extent necessary to achieve the goals of our educational program.

By selecting "Yes", you acknowledge the district's annual notice regarding the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) and consent to the disclosure of student information for educational purposes only.

☐ Yes

☐ No

If No is Selected: **WARNING: By selecting NO your child may not be able to access all instructional materials and alternative tools may not be available. Please consider contacting a district administrator before selecting No to this permission.**

Annual Notice: Google Workspace/Third-Party Tools

The district assigns Google Workspace for Education accounts to all students and staff. This ad-free service provides access to Google Drive, Google Classroom, Google Meet, and a managed email account ending in @dcgschools.com. (Student accounts are prohibited from receiving most messages from external senders.) [A complete list of Google Workspace tools is available here.](#) Google accounts also allow the district to safely authenticate our users on other sites and provide access to a variety of third-party learning tools. A few of the sites and tools available to students are listed below:

- **Seesaw & Google Classroom:** Secure, online learning and communication platforms.
- **WeVideo & Adobe Creative Cloud:** Web-based multimedia tools.
- **Amplify Science:** Part of the district's online, interactive science curriculum.

The list of tools and resources available to students is constantly evolving. Staff are encouraged to seek out new and innovative uses of technology to engage their students; therefore, the teacher is often the best source of information about particular sites used in the classroom. Additional information about the use of online learning platforms in the Dallas Center-Grimes School district is described in board policy 602.31, available on our website.

By selecting “Yes”, you acknowledge the District’s annual notice regarding the use of Google Workspace for Education accounts and other third-party learning tools.

☐ Yes