

Policy: ECAF

School Safety and Security Video Cameras

In recognition of MSAD#44's continuing responsibility to maintain and improve order and discipline and protect the health, welfare, safety, and security of students, staff, visitors, and school property, The School Board authorizes and supports the use of safety and security equipment in school facilities and on district property. The Board also recognizes that it must balance the privacy rights of students, staff, and visitors with its duty to provide a safe site for learning and to safeguard school facilities and equipment.

Safety and security equipment may be used in school facilities and on school property to identify individuals in violation of district policy and/or school regulations and to apprehend individuals suspected of engaging in criminal activity. Safety and security equipment may only be used to promote order, safety and security of students, staff, and property.

Prior to the installation of a safety and security equipment system, the Superintendent or designee must present to the Board the intent and extent of the security equipment implementation. The Board shall periodically review the implementation and operation of the safety and security equipment system.

Safety and security equipment may be used in locations as deemed appropriate and necessary by the Superintendent or designee.

Students in violation of the School Board's policies, school rules, or the law shall be subject to the disciplinary action in accordance with established Board policy and administrative regulations governing conduct and discipline. Others may be referred to law enforcement agencies.

Staff shall be subject to established Board personnel policies, administrative regulations, and negotiated agreements, including provisions related to evaluation, discipline, and dismissal.

The use of safety and security equipment shall be subject to other policies of the district, including policies concerning confidentiality of student and personnel records.

Safety and security equipment recordings may become a part of a student's educational record or a staff member's personnel record. The district shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws related to record maintenance and retention.

The district must provide annual notification to staff, students, and parents regarding the use of security equipment on district property and other such procedures as may be required for the implementation of this policy.

Legal Reference: Title I-Amendments to the Individuals with Disabilities Act

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, sec.437, 20 U.S.C.
Sec. 1232G (1988)

Cross Reference: AC-Nondiscrimination
EEAEF-Video Camera Use On School Vehicles Student Records
EEAEF-R-Video Camera Use On School Vehicles Student
EHB-Student Records Retention
GBJ-Personnel Files
GBEB-Staff Conduct
JI-Student Rights and Responsibilities
JICIA-Weapons, Violence, and School Safety
JIH-Questioning and Searches
JK-Student Discipline
JRA-Student Records
KDB-Public's Right to Know
KLG-Relations with Law Enforcement

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