

#### **4.29 -- COMPUTER USE POLICY - School Board Policy**

The Nemo Vista School District makes computers and/or computer Internet access available to students, to permit students to perform research and to allow students to learn how to use computer technology. The use of district computers is for educational and/or instructional purposes only. It is the policy of this school district to equip each computer with Internet filtering software designed to prevent users from accessing material that is harmful to minors. No student will be granted Internet access until and unless a computer-use agreement, signed by both the student and the parent or legal guardian, if the student is under the age of eighteen [18], is on file. The current version of the computer use agreement is incorporated by reference into the board policy and is considered part of the student handbook

Student use of computers shall only be as directed or assigned by staff or teachers; the student is advised that they have no expectation of privacy in any aspect of their computer use, including email, and that monitoring of student computer use is continuous. Students must not disable or bypass security procedures, compromise, attempt to compromise, or defeat the district's technology network security or Internet filtering software, alter data without authorization, or disclose passwords to other students. Students who misuse district-owned computers or Internet access in any way, including using computers to violate any other policy or contrary to the computer use agreement, or using computers to access or create sexually explicit or pornographic text or graphics, will face disciplinary action, as specified in the student handbook and/or computer use agreement.

To help protect student welfare when they navigate the Internet, the district will work to educate students about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms, and cyberbullying awareness and response.

Legal References: 20 USC 6801 et seq. (Children's Internet Protection Act; PL 106-554) A.C.A §6-21-107  
A.C.A § 6-21-111

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