

STUDENT USE OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

- 1.0 The Scarborough School Department provides computer technology (i.e., computers, networks and Internet access) to support the educational mission of the schools and to enhance the curriculum and learning opportunities for students and school staff. The unregulated availability of information and communication on the Internet requires that schools establish reasonable controls for lawful, efficient and appropriate use of this technology.
- 2.0 Student use of school computer technology is a privilege not a right. Students are to utilize school's computer technology for school-related and educational purposes only. Incidental use of school computers is permitted, insofar that it does not interfere with the students' performance, with system operations or other system users.
- 3.0 For the purposes of this policy, the following definitions will apply:
  - 3.1 "Incidental personal use" is defined as use by an individual student for occasional personal communication.
- 4.0 Students are reminded that such personal use must comply with this policy and all other applicable policies, procedures, guidelines, and rules. Failure to comply with this policy may result in the student's loss of computer and/or Internet access privileges, disciplinary action, and/or legal action.
- 5.0 All Scarborough School Department computers remain under the control, custody, and supervision of the school department. The school department reserves the right to monitor all computer technology activities. Students have no expectation of privacy in their use of school computers.
- 6.0 Reasonable precautions are taken to supervise student use of the Internet. The Scarborough School Department will not tolerate inappropriate use of its computers. The school department is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of information that students obtain through the Internet.
- 7.0 Annually, the Superintendent will inform students and their parents/guardians of this policy and related administrative regulations through student handbooks and/or other means selected by the Superintendent. The Superintendent will oversee the implementation of this policy. The Superintendent will develop and implement administrative regulations governing the day-to-day management and operations of the school department's computer system. The Superintendent may delegate specific responsibilities to other administrators.

Cross Reference: IJNDB-R – Student Computer and Internet Use Regulations

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