## **POLICY**

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## 3284 USE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION AND RECORDING

The Board of Education believes students and/or school staff members should not be subject to having a video or audio recording taken of any student(s) or school staff member(s) for any purpose without the consent of the student, the student's parent, and/or the school staff member, except when needed for a student's educational needs. In addition to protecting the privacy rights of students and school staff members, the Board recognizes that such recordings can be disruptive to the district's operations and educational program.

Electronic communication and recording device ("ECRD") includes any device with the capability to audio or video record or is capable of receiving or transmitting any type of communication between persons. An ECRD includes, but is not limited to, smartphones, camera, cellular and wireless telephones, laptop computers, electronic readers, personal digital assistants, smart pens, tablets, video broadcasting devices, and any other device that allows a person to record and/or transmit, on either a real time or delayed basis, sound, video or still images, text, or other information.

However, an ECRD may be used when prior notification is provided for a student's individual education plan meeting, or otherwise approved by the district.

Improper video or audio recording by a teaching staff member may result in appropriate disciplinary action.

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