Great Falls School District 1 2 **STUDENTS** 3612 3 4 5 District-Provided Access to Electronic Information, Equipment, Services, and Networks 6 7 General 8 9 Internet access is available to the District's students, faculty, and community members. Through its computer network, the District is connected with thousands of computers all over the world. 10 11 Users may have access to information ranging from different cultures, science related issues, music, politics, and access to many university library catalogs. These are just some of the areas 12 users may be able to explore through the computer network. 13 14 15 Students utilizing school-provided Internet access are responsible for good behavior on-line, just as they are in a classroom or other area of the school. The same general rules for behavior and 16 17 communications apply. The District provides filtering software for computers accessing the Internet. 18 19 20 The District expects all students to take responsibility for appropriate and lawful use of this access, including good behavior on-line. The District may withdraw student access to its 21 equipment, network and to the Internet when misuse occurs. District teachers and other staff will 22 make reasonable efforts to supervise use of equipment, network, and Internet access; however, 23 24 student cooperation is vital in exercising and promoting responsible use of this access. 25 26 Curriculum 27 28 Use of District equipment and electronic networks will be consistent with the curriculum adopted by the District as well as with varied instructional needs, learning styles, abilities, and 29 developmental levels of students, and will comply with selection criteria for instructional 30 materials and library materials. Staff members may use the Internet throughout the curriculum, 31 consistent with the District's educational goals. 32 33 34 Students and staff members have no expectation of privacy in any materials that are stored, transmitted, or received via the District's electronic network or District computers. The District 35 36 reserves the right to monitor, inspect, copy, review, and store, at any time and without prior 37 notice, any and all usage of the computer network and Internet access and any and all information transmitted or received in connection with such usage. 38 39 40 Acceptable and Unacceptable Users

Please refer to Board Policy 3612P Student Computer Acceptable Use and Internet Safety

Agreement for a list of acceptable and unacceptable users.

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## Warranties/Indemnification

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- 3 The District makes no warranties of any kind, express or implied, in connection with its
- 4 provisions of access to and use of its equipment, computer networks and the Internet provided
- 5 under this policy. The District is not responsible for any information that may be lost, damaged
- 6 or unavailable when using the network or for any information that is retrieved or transmitted via
- 7 the Internet. The District will not be responsible for any unauthorized charges or fees resulting
- 8 from access to the Internet. Any user is fully responsible to the District and will indemnify and
- 9 hold the District, it Trustees, administrators, teachers, and staff harmless from any and all loss,
- 10 cost, claims, or damages resulting from such user's access to its equipment, computer network
- and Internet, including but not limited to any fees or charges incurred through purchase of goods
- or services by a user. The District expects a user or, if a user is a minor, a user's parents or legal
- guardian to cooperate with the District in the event of its initiating an investigation of a user's
- use of access to its equipment, computer network and the Internet.

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## Violations

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- Violation of this policy will result in a loss of access and may result in other disciplinary or legal
- 19 action. The principal will make all decisions regarding whether or not a user has violated this
- 20 policy and any related rules or regulations and may deny, revoke, or suspend access at any time,
- 21 with that decision being final.

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- 23 <u>References:</u>
- 24 Policy 3225 Sexual Harassment of Students
- 25 Policy 3226 Hazing, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying
- 26 Policy 3300 Suspension and Expulsion
- 27 Policy 3310 Student Discipline
- 28 Policy 3612 P Student Computer Acceptable Use and Internet Safety Agreement

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