

## **EAAA – VIDEO SURVEILLANCE ON SCHOOL PROPERTY**

The Board authorizes the use of video surveillance devices on District property to ensure the health, welfare, and safety of all staff, students, and visitors to District property and to safeguard District buildings, grounds, and equipment. The Superintendent will approve appropriate locations for surveillance devices. Placement of video cameras will be based on the presumption and belief that students, staff and visitors have no reasonable expectation of privacy in areas or at events that occur in plain view. However, such devices are not to be placed in bathrooms or locker rooms. The Superintendent will notify staff, students, and parents through handbooks or by other means that video surveillance may occur on District property. A notice will also be posted at the main entrance of all school district buildings and on all buses indicating the use of video (and audio in the case of school buses) surveillance. Students will be responsible for any violations of school rules caught on tape by cameras.

The District will retain copies of video recordings until they are erased, which may be accomplished by either deletion or copying over with a new recording. The Superintendent will consult with the necessary personnel to determine how and when such recordings should be deleted.

Recordings may be viewed only by the following persons and only after expressly authorized by the Superintendent including the Superintendent, Superintendent designee, Business Manager, School Principal, School Principal designee, and Law Enforcement Officers.

Parents of a student against who a recording is being used as part of a disciplinary proceeding will be permitted to view and listen to the recording in the presence of school administration. No other individuals shall be entitled to view or listen to the recording without the express authorization of the Superintendent.

Videos containing evidence of a violation of student conduct rules and/or state or federal law will be retained until the issue of the misconduct is no longer subject to review or appeal as determined by Board policy or applicable law. Any release or viewing of the video will be in accordance with the law. Videos not containing evidence will be erased or destroyed immediately following resolution of the issue.

In the event an audio or video recording is used as part of a student discipline proceeding, such video may become part of a student's education record. If an audio or video recording does become part of a student's education record, the provisions of Policy JRA and associated policies shall apply. In such cases, the Superintendent is authorized to consult with the District's legal counsel.

### Statutory/Regulatory/Policy/Handbook Cross References

ESD Policy JRA (Student Education Records and Information)  
ESD Policy JRA-R (Student Records & Information Administrative Procedures)  
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99)  
RSA 189:6 (Transportation of Pupils)  
RSA 189:8 (Limitations and Additions)  
RSA 189:9 (Pupils in Private Schools)

RSA 189:9-a (Pupils Prohibited for Disciplinary Reasons)  
RSA 200:40 (Emergency Care)  
Handbook (Referenced in Student and Personnel Handbook)

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PREVIOUS POLICY: None.