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8305 - INFORMATION SECURITY

The District collects, classifies, and retains data/information from and about students, staff, vendors/contractors, and other individuals, about programs and initiatives undertaken by the school system, and about and related to the business of the District. This data/information may be in hard copy or digital format and may be stored in the District or offsite with a third party provider.

~~Data/information~~ Data/Information collected by the District shall be classified as Confidential, Controlled, or Published. ~~Data/information~~ Data/Information will be considered Controlled until identified otherwise.

Protecting District Information Resources (as defined in Bylaw 0100) is of paramount importance. Information security requires everyone's active participation to keep the District's data/information secure. This includes Board of Education members, staff members/employees, students, parents, contractors/vendors, and visitors who use District Information & Technology Resources (as defined in Bylaw 0100) ~~and Information Resources~~.

Individuals who are granted access to data/information collected and retained by the District must follow established procedures so that the data/information is protected and preserved. Board members, administrators, and all District staff members (~~—~~), ~~as well as contractors, vendors, and their employees,~~ [END OF OPTION] granted access to data/information retained by the District are required to certify annually that they shall comply with the established information security protocols pertaining to District data/information. Further, all individuals granted access to Confidential Data/Information retained by the District must certify annually that they will comply with the information security protocols pertaining to Confidential Data/Information. Completing the appropriate section of the Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety form (Form 7540.04 F1) shall provide this certification.

All Board members, staff members/employees, students, contractors/vendors, and visitors who have access to Board-owned or managed data/information must maintain the security of that data/information and the District Technology Resources on which it is stored.

If an individual has any questions concerning whether this Policy and/or its related administrative guidelines apply to him/her ~~them~~ or how they apply to him/her ~~them~~, the individual should contact the District's Technology Director or Information Technology Department/Office.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines that set forth the internal controls necessary to provide for the collection, classification, retention, access, and security of District Data/Information.

Further, the Superintendent is ~~charged with developing procedures that can~~ authorized to develop procedures that would be implemented in the event of an unauthorized release or breach of data/information. These procedures shall comply with the District's legal requirements if such a breach of personally-identifiable information occurs.

The Superintendent shall require ~~staff members to participate in training related to the internal controls applicable~~ the participation of staff members in appropriate training related to the internal controls pertaining to the data/information that they collect and have access to, ~~to which they have access,~~ and for which they ~~are~~ would be responsible for the security protocols.

Third party contractors/vendors who require access to Confidential Data/Information collected and retained by the District will be informed of relevant Board policies that govern access to and use of Information Resources, including the duty to safeguard the confidentiality of such data/information.

Failure to adhere to this Policy and its related administrative guidelines may put data/information collected and retained by the District at risk. Employees who violate this policy and/or its related administrative guidelines may be disciplined, the administrative guidelines promulgated consistent with this policy may have disciplinary consequences imposed, up to and including termination of employment and/or referral to law enforcement. Students who violate this Policy and/or its related administrative guidelines will be disciplined, AGs will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion and/or referral to law enforcement. ~~() Contractors/vendors~~ Vendors who violate this Policy and/or its related administrative guidelines AGs may face termination of their business relationships with and/or legal action by the District. **[END OF OPTION]** Parents and visitors who violate this Policy and/or its related administrative guidelines AGs may be denied access to the District's Information & Technology Resources.

The Superintendent shall conduct ~~() an annual~~ (☒) a periodic **[END OF OPTION]** assessment of risk related to the access to and security of the data/information collected and retained by the District.

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