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Memo	
То	Board of Education
From	Vernon Hal, Deputy Superintendent, Business & Operations John Krull, IT Officer, Technology Services
Board Meeting Date	May 14, 2014
Subject	Board Policy Update BP/AR 4040 Employee Use of Technology: First Reading
Action Requested	Receive First Reading of Board Policy Update BP/AR 4040 Staff Use of Technology
Background	Board Policy (BP) 4040 and Administrative Regulation (AR) 4040 were last updated in 2004. Changes to the policy and regulation are necessitated by advances in how email is used and how files are shared throughout the District. These updates will help ensure compliance with the Family Educational Rights Act (FERPA) and the California Public Records Act.
Discussion	Staff seeks Board support for changes in distric: policy and regulations to ensure staff use of technology is compliant with FERPA, which generally prohibits the improper disclosure of student records. The term "education records" is defined as those records that contain information directly related to a student and which are maintained by an educational agency or institution or by a party acting for the agency or institution. Using district systems to store and transfer such electronic records allows the District to monitor practices and ensure compliance with FERPA.
	The California Public Records Act requires disclosure of governmental records to the public upon request. The Act covers any writing containing information relating to the conduct of a public's business prepared, owned, used or retained by any state or local agency regardless of physical form (Cal. Gov't. Code §



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6252(e)). Conducting school business on district-supported electronic data systems makes it possible to respond to such requests.

Key changes in the administrative regulations require all staff to use district supported email and electronic file services for all district business and sets expectations for sharing electronic files and student records.

Additionally, staff plans to update regulations and provide procedures and best practices concerning staff use of technology devices.

Recommendation	The Board of Education receive first reading of updates to BP 4040 and AR 4040.
Fiscal Impact	None
Attachments	BP 4040 - Employee Use of Technology-update1 AR 4040 - Employee Use of Technology-update1 Technology is Schools – Best Practices to Prevent Theft_v1

## **OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT** Board Policy

### BP 4040 **Personnel**

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(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
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AR 4040 Personnel

Employee Use of Technology

On-LineOnline/Internet Services: User Obligations and Responsibilities

Employees are authorized to use district equipment to access the Internet or on-lineonline services in accordance with Governing Board policy and the user obligations and responsibilities specified below.

- 1. 1.— The employee in whose name an <u>on-lineonline</u> services account is issued is responsible for its proper use at all times. Employees shall keep account informationhome addresses and telephone numberspasswords private. They shall use the systemnetwork and systems only under their own account number.
- 2. 2. Employees shall use the systemnetwork and computer systems responsibly and primarily for work-related purposes. -Employees may use a standard web browser on the network to access information for personal purposes on a limited basis during breaks or during non-work hours.

(cf. 6162.7 - Use of Technology in Instruction)

3. 3. Employees shall not access, post, submit, publish or display harmful or inappropriate matter that is threatening, obscene, disruptive or sexually explicit, or that could be construed as harassment or disparagement of others based on their race/ethnicity, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion or political beliefs.

(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

(cf. 4031 - Complaints Concerning Discrimination in Employment)

(cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11 - Sexual Harassment)

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- 8: Users shall report any security problem or misuse of the services to the Superintendent or designee.
- Employees shall not use the system to engage in commercial or other for-profit activities without permission of the Superintendent or designee.
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- 12. Employee and student records may only be shared with authorized personnel, with proper consent, or where permitted by state and federal law. Student records may only be shared where permitted by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Non-District consultants, vendors, or individuals working on behalf of the District must complete a District Data Sharing Agreement or other written confidentiality agreement before receiving any employee or student records.

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)

13. Employees may only use authorized software and internet services on District computing devices and for District business.

District Equipment and Devices: User Obligations and Responsibilities

- When an employee is issued a device from the District or a school, it must be used in accordance with the Employee Use of Technology Policy and Administrative Regulations.
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