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## TEACHING STAFF MEMBER'S USE OF PERSONAL CELLULAR TELEPHONES/OTHER COMMUNICATION DEVICES

The Board of Education recognizes a teaching staff member may need to electronically communicate on a non-school related, personal matter using a personal cellular telephone or other personal communication device. Electronic communications included, but are not limited to: voice conversations, text-messaging, accessing social networking or other Internet sites, or any other type of electronic communication.

In the event the teaching staff member needs to electronically communicate on a non-school related, personal matter using a personal cellular telephone or other personal communication device the teaching staff member may do so provided the telephone call is made during the staff member's duty free lunch/break periods and/or preparation periods for teaching staff and is made outside the presence of students either in an area inside or outside the school building designated by the staff member's Principal or immediate supervisor.

An electronic communication by a teaching staff member on a non-school related, personal matter using a personal cellular telephone or other personal communication device shall not be made while the teaching staff member is performing assigned school district responsibilities.

In the event the teaching staff member has an emergency requiring immediate attention that requires such a communication while performing assigned school district responsibilities-the teaching staff member shall inform their Principal or immediate supervisor before or immediately after the communication depending on the nature of the emergency. The Board of Education is not responsible if a teaching staff member's personal cellular telephone or other communication device is lost, stolen, or missing.

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