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| WCD Requirements | Details |
| **Policy Awareness and Overview** | The Board acknowledges the use of WCDs by students and parents for communication. Regulations are necessary to protect the school environment.  WCDs can distract students socially, intellectually, and emotionally, leading to increased social and academic isolation.  Social media can have positive uses, but can also cause negative feelings such as exclusion, judgment, anxiety, and targeting.  WCDs can be used to initiate and perpetuate inappropriate or unlawful conduct, disrupting the school environment and threatening the community's health, safety, and welfare. |
| **Expectations for Grades 9-12** | WCDs must remain silent and out of view during the school day, **with the only exception being lunch**. They are not allowed during passing periods or when student is out of class on a pass.  Students are not allowed to wear headphones, earbuds, Bluetooth earpieces, or similar devices during the school day, except during lunch. These items must be out of view at all other times. Speakers are strictly prohibited. |
| **Classroom Suitability** | Students may be allowed to use their WCD with permission by the classroom teacher for a specific instructional activity.  Classroom teachers may provide a cell phone storage area. |
| **Accommodation Requests** | Requests will be evaluated using existing IEP, Section 504 plans, and medical procedures. |
| **Unauthorized Use of a WCD** | * Non-educational use during instructional time * Recording or transmitting audio, images, or video without consent * Recording fights or similar events and posting on social media * Distracting use creating an unsafe environment * Recording in locker rooms, showers, or restrooms * Transmitting test information or other academic dishonesty * Violations of the *Student Code of Conduct* |
| **Confiscation Reasons** | * Potentially illegal activity may result in WCD confiscation and referral to law enforcement or Child Protective Services. |
| **Corrective Actions** | * Referral for failure to comply with classroom rules or unauthorized use of WCD * Repeated offenses will result in a referral for defiance w/ consequences according to the discipline matrix * Students may be directed to delete unauthorized recordings in the presence of a parent/guardian. |
| **Contact Information** | Contact school administration for details or questions about the WCD policy. |