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Dear Parents and Students,

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3319.327, we are writing to inform you that the District, either directly or through a technology provider, generally monitors the school-issued devices that are provided to, or used by, District students. This monitoring is generally done in furtherance of educational purposes, including for instruction, technical support, or exam-proctoring.

However, the District may also generally monitor where:

- permitted under a judicial warrant;
- the school district or technology provider is notified or becomes aware that the school-issued device is missing or stolen:
- the activity is necessary to prevent or respond to a threat to life or safety, and the access is limited to that purpose;
- the activity is necessary to comply with federal or state law; and/or
- the activity is necessary to participate in federal or state funding programs.

## Monitoring may include the:

- location-tracking features of a school-issued device;
- audio or visual receiving, transmitting, or recording features of a school-issued device; or
- student interactions with a school-issued device, including, but not limited to, keystrokes and web-browsing activity.

In the event that one of the circumstances described above is triggered, the District will notify the student's parent within 72 hours of the access, unless the notice itself would pose a threat of life or safety (in which case it will be given within 72 hours after the threat has ceased). Because of the required notice and our use of standard web filtering software, it is likely you will receive multiple communications from the District each week. We want to alert you and to get ahead of any significant increase in communications you may see from the District.

Sincerely,

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