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USE OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

The Rochester School Board views student safety, and the prevention of vandalism to be very important. In order to ensure a safe and secure environment, video-cameras may be installed in hallways and outside the school and in other locations as approved by the Superintendent for surveillance of students and other visitors.

In the event a recording is used as part of a student discipline proceeding, such video may become part of a student's education record. The Superintendent is authorized to contact the District's attorney for a full legal opinion in the event of such an occurrence.

Video-camera recording is considered a valuable resource for school officials. The use of video-cameras shall be governed by the following principles:

1. The use of video cameras is intended to provide assistance to school officials.
2. Placement of the video cameras shall be determined by school administration. All video footage will be the property of the Rochester School Department and will be considered confidential. Viewing of video footage by school administration will be on an "as needed" basis.
3. School administration, at its discretion, may permit viewing by parents and outside agencies.
4. Any video footage not necessary for subsequent disciplinary measures may be erased or recycled within five working days of being taken.
5. The Rochester School Board authorizes the Superintendent to enter into an agreement with the Rochester Police to allow access to the video system for use after school hours, in an emergency situation, or at the request of the Superintendent.

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