

Policy: ECAEA

## **VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS**

The Board understands that schools are considered to be a supervised environment where a reasonable degree of monitoring to protect the safety and well-being of students, staff and facilities is both desirable and expected. Video surveillance systems are generally viewed as being useful in schools as a means (1) to enhance the safety of students and staff, (2) to protect school property against theft and vandalism, (3) to aid in the identification of intruders and persons breaking the law and (4) to assist with the maintenance of order.

The Board authorizes the use of video surveillance systems on Division property as circumstances have shown that it is necessary for these purposes and their benefit is deemed to outweigh their impact on the privacy of those observed. It does so accepting its obligations to protect the personal privacy of individuals, in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and any other applicable legislation.

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