

INSTRUCTION

ONE-TO-ONE DEVICE PROGRAM

The **Wallingford** Board of Education (**the “Board”**) recognizes that an effective public education system develops students who are globally aware, civically engaged, and capable of managing their lives and careers. The Board also believes that students need to be proficient users of information, media, and technology in a digital world.

Therefore, the Wallingford **Public Schools** (**the “District”**) will use electronic resources as a powerful and compelling means for students to learn core subjects and applied skills in relevant and rigorous ways. It is the District’s goal to provide students with rich and ample opportunities to use technology for important purposes just as individuals in work places and other real-life settings. The District’s technology will enable educators and students to communicate, learn, share, collaborate and create, to think and solve problems, to manage their work, and to take ownership of their lives.

To help ensure student safety and citizenship in online activities, all students will be educated about appropriate behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms, and cyberbullying awareness and response.

The Board directs the Superintendent or designee to create strong electronic educational systems that support innovative teaching and learning, to provide appropriate staff development opportunities and to develop procedures to support this policy.

To achieve this philosophy, the Board believes the implementation and focus of a 1:1 **device** program is to provide the necessary tools and resources for a progressive learning environment characterized by flexibility, collaboration, personalization, creativity, and technology-rich learning. Technology shall be integrated throughout the educational program in a seamless and timeless fashion. The 1:1 **device** program will empower students and teachers to use technology to access and use purposeful technology-based tools anytime a task calls for them.

Learning in District schools must be a continuous, dynamic interaction among students, parents, and the extended community. Implementation of a 1:1 **device** initiative enables anywhere, anytime learning that is not limited by the physical confines of a classroom or school building. The Board believes that purposeful technology integration liberates teachers from being deliverers of content, and instead, allows them to be facilitators of deep, individualized learning for all students.

The policy, procedures, and information within the document apply to all District-owned **devices** used in District schools, including any other device considered by the administration to come under this policy. Individuals or teams of teachers may set additional requirements for use in their classrooms.

Legal References:

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Connecticut General Statutes

10-221 Boards of education to prescribe rules

18 U.S.C. §§ 2510-2522, Electronic Communication Privacy Act

P.L. No 110-385, Protecting Children in the 21st Century Act

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