PERSONNEL: Conduct

Technology Acceptable Use Policy (TAUP) for Authorized Users

I. Policy Statement

The Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) believes that, as technologies change the ways that information may be accessed, communicated and transferred, these changes also provide opportunities to enhance teaching and learning, communicating, resource sharing and workplace efficiency. The Board is committed to providing access to technology resources to authorized users to further the mission and goals of the Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS).

II. Definition

Authorized User – Any employee, Board member or approved non-employee who has been sanctioned by the school principal or office head to have access to BCPS technology to carry out his/her duties for the school system.

III. Standards

A. The Board expects that authorized users shall use school system technology in an ethical, professional, responsible and legal manner.

B. The Board prohibits the illegal and unethical use of its school system technology.

IV. Implementation

The Board directs the Superintendent to implement this policy.

Legal References:

18 U.S.C. §§ 2510-2522, Electronic Communications Privacy Act
20 U.S.C. § 794d, Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
20 U.S.C. § 1232g, Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
47 U.S.C. § 254(h), Children’s Internet Protection Act
Annotated Code of Maryland, General Provisions Article §§ 4-101 to 4-601 (Public Information Act)
Annotated Code of Maryland, Labor and Employment Article § 3-
712[3], **Employers Prohibited from Requiring Disclosure of Employee User Names or Passwords to Personal Accounts or Services**

**Related Policies:**
- Board of Education Policy 1100, *Communications with the Public*
- Board of Education Policy 1110, *Publications, Radio, Television and Digital Media*
- Board of Education Policy 3125, *School Activity Funds*
- Board of Education Policy 4002, *Obligations of Employees of the Board of Education of Baltimore County*
- Board of Education Policy 4008, *Board Data Governance*
- Board of Education Policy 4100, *Employee Conduct and Responsibilities*
- Board of Education Policy 5230, *Student Records*
- Board of Education Policy 6202, *Technology Acceptable Use Policy (TAUP) for Students*
- Board of Education Policy 8363, *Conflict of Interest – Prohibited Conduct*