Pursuant to both state and federal law, it is the policy of this School District to protect the confidentiality of social security numbers. No person shall knowingly disclose, transfer, or unlawfully use the social security number of any employee, student, or other individual.

The Superintendent shall establish rules and regulations to implement this policy. The Superintendent shall ensure that:

1. The confidentiality of social security numbers is maintained to the extent practicable;
2. The unlawful disclosure of social security numbers is prohibited;
3. Access to information or documents containing social security numbers is limited; and
4. Documents containing social security numbers are disposed of properly.

This policy and its rules shall be published in the appropriate handbooks, manuals, and other similar documents. The published document(s) may also be made available electronically.

Persons who violate this policy, or the rules that implement it, may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion for students and termination for employees.

Approved: June 29, 2009

LEGAL REF: MCL 445.81 et seq.; 18 USC 1028; 5 USC 552a (The Privacy Act of 1974)

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