

CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2012

WILLIAM A. BRIGGS Building (Reed Conference Room)

845 PARK AVENUE

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

PUBLIC WORK SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PUBLIC SESSION

AGENDA

1. Call to Order – 6:00 p.m. – Convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws PL 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel (Administrator Contracts); PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation (Contract Negotiations' Update – Secretaries), (Maintenance of Effort),(Cranston Area Career & Technical Center Transfer Agreement), (Consideration of legal options regarding status of aid to education appropriation and legal advice relating to same).

2. Executive Session

3. Call to Order – Public Session

4. Roll Call – Quorum

5. Executive Session Minutes Sealed – June 12, 2012

6. Public Hearing

a. Students (Agenda/Non-Agenda Matters)

b. Members of the Public (Agenda Matters Only)

7. Consent Calendar / Consent Agenda

RESOLUTIONS

PERSONNEL - ADMINISTRATION

NO. 12-6-01 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, said certified personnel be recalled from layoff, and

Be it further RESOLVED, that the Superintendent notify those individuals of the committee's actions.

NO. 12-6-02 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

Nicole Carroll, Elementary

Anna Ferenc, Art PK-12

Meghan Healy, Art PK-12

NO. 12-6-03 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified staff member be granted a leave of absence without compensation as provided in Article XIX, Section B.4 of the Master Agreement between the Cranston School Committee and the Cranston Teachers' Alliance:

Lauren McGrail, Teacher

Cranston West

Effective Date...September, 2012 to January, 2014

NO. 12-6-04 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the retirement of the following certified personnel be accepted:

Peter L. Nero, Superintendent

Administration

Effective Date...July 16, 2012

MaryAnn Casale, Principal

Garden City

Effective Date...June 30, 2012

Dorothy Martiesian, Teacher

Norwood

Effective Date...June 30, 2012

NO. 12-6-05 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation(s) of the following certified personnel be accepted:

Alysia Berube, Teacher

Cranston East

Effective Date...June 30, 2012

NO. 12-6-06 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation(s) of the following program supervisor be accepted:

Richard Pandolfini

English

Effective Date...June 18, 2012

No. 12-6-07 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation of the following coach (es) be accepted:

Robert Finelli, Head Coach Field Hockey

CHSE

Effective Date...May 25, 2012

NO. 12-6-08 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified employee(s) be appointed:

Michaela Murray, Bus Driver (probationary)

Transportation

Effective Date...February 27, 2012

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note...11245190 51110

NO. 12-6-09 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

Nathan Tomasso, Custodian

NO. 12-6-10 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the retirement(s) of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Michael Cornachione, Technical Assistant

Layoff

Effective Date...May 30, 2012

NO. 12-6-11 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation(s) of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Jessica Carbone, Bus Monitor

Transportation

Effective Date...May 24, 2012

NO. 12-6-12 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the termination of the following non-certified employee A be accepted.

NO. 12-6-13 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the termination of the following non-certified employee B be accepted.

NO. 12-6-14 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the termination of the following non-certified employee C be accepted.

NO. 12-6-15 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, non-certified staff members be laid off from their respective positions due to budgetary reasons.

POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

NO. 12-6-16 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following Conferences/Field Trips of Long Duration be authorized:

1. Mrs. Joanne Spaziano, teacher at Park View Middle School, and twelve (12) students

from the Park View NEED Cougars (National Energy Education Development) to travel

to Washington DC to participate in the NEED Youth Awards Program (they have been

selected as the RI Junior Level Energy School of the Year 2012 and the National Junior

Level Energy School of the Year 2012) from June 22, 2012 through June 25, 2012, at no

cost to the school department. Expenses to be paid by donations from the CTA and

private donors, a benefit dress down day and sponsorships from the RI Energy Office.

Please see attached Field Trip of Long Duration form.

2. Kelly B. Whaley, CCLC (Cranston Community Learning Center and Bain +2) Program

Manager, to travel to New Orleans, LA from July 30, 2012 through August 2, 2012 to

attend the 21st Century Community Learning Inst., at no cost to the school department.

Funding Source from 21st Century (Kidventure and Bain +2) and no substitute needed.

Please see the attached Conference Form and attachments.

3. Coach Steven Stoehr, Cranston High School West, and approximately sixty (60) students

to travel to Vermont Academy to attend their summer program and to practice team

building exercises as well as other activities, from August 21st through August 23rd. No

school missed and no cost to the school department. Please see attached Field Trip of Long Duration form.

POLICIES

NO. 12-6-17 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the policy for Safe School Act, Statewide Bullying Policy; Cranston Public Schools' Policy Number 5141.33 be approved for second reading (see policy attached).

NO. 12-6-18 - RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the policy for Technology Acceptable Use; Policy Number 6161.2, as amended, be approved for second reading (see policy attached).

BUSINESS

NO. 12-6-19 – RESOLVED, that the 2012-2013 Operating Budget, as adopted by the School Committee, be revised.

8. Adjourn to Public Work Session

9. Public Work Session:

a. Draft Agreement Between RIDE and District regarding CAC&TC Transfer

b. School Bus Advertising Policy (see copy attached) – Mrs. Ruggieri

c. Monthly Review of Year-to-Date Expenditures – Mr. Balducci

10. Adjourn Public Work Session to Public Meeting

11. Adjournment

School Committee Members who are unable to attend this meeting are asked to notify the Chairperson in advance.

Interested persons and the public at large, upon advance notice, will be given a fair opportunity to be heard at said meeting on the items proposed on the Agenda.

Any changes in the agenda pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(e) will be posted on the school district's website at www.cpsed.net, Cranston Public Schools' Administration Building, 845 Park Avenue, Cranston, RI; and Cranston City Hall, 869 Park Avenue, Cranston, RI and will be electronically filed with the Secretary of State at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Superintendent's Office at 270-8170 72 hours in advance of the meeting date.

Notice Posted: June 7, 2012

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

SAFE SCHOOL ACT STATEWIDE BULLYING POLICY

Effective: June 30, 2012

RHODE ISLAND STATEWIDE BULLYING

POLICY CPS #5141.32 (a)

INTRODUCTION

This Statewide Bullying Policy is promulgated pursuant to the authority set forth in §16‐21‐34 of the General Laws of Rhode Island. Known as the Safe School Act, the statute recognizes that the bullying of a student creates a climate of fear and disrespect that can seriously impair the student's health and negatively affect learning. Bullying undermines the safe learning environment that students need to achieve their full potential. The purpose of the Policy is to ensure a consistent and unified statewide approach to the prohibition of bullying at school.

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1. DEFINITIONS

BULLYING means the use by one or more students of a written, verbal or electronic expression or a physical act or gesture or any combination thereof directed at a student that:

- a. Causes physical or emotional harm to the student or damage to the student's property;
- b. Places the student in reasonable fear of harm to himself/herself or of damage to his/her property;
- c. Creates an intimidating, threatening, hostile, or abusive educational environment for the student;
- d. Infringes on the rights of the student to participate in school activities; or
- e. Materially and substantially disrupts the education process or the orderly operation of a school.

The expression, physical act or gesture may include, but is not limited to, an incident or incidents that may be reasonably perceived

as being motivated by characteristics such as:

Race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression or mental, physical, or sensory disability, intellectual ability or by any other distinguishing characteristic. Bullying most often occurs as repeated behavior and often is not a single incident between the bullying/cyber‐bullying offender(s) and the bullying victim(s).

CYBER‐BULLYING means bullying through the use of technology or any electronic communication, which shall include, but not be limited to, any transfer of signs, signals, writing, images, sounds, data, texting or intelligence of any nature transmitted in whole or in part by a wire, radio, electromagnetic, photo electronic or photo optical system, including, but not limited to, electronic mail, Internet communications, instant messages or facsimile communications.

Forms of cyber‐bullying may include but are not limited to:

- a. The creation of a web page or blog in which the creator assumes the identity of another person;**
- b. The knowing impersonation of another person as the author of posted content or messages; or**
- c. The distribution by electronic means of a communication to more than one person or the posting of materials on an electronic medium that may be accessed by one or more persons, if the creation, impersonation, or distribution results in any of the conditions enumerated in clauses (a) to (e) of the definition of bullying.**

AT SCHOOL means:

- a. on school premises,**
- b. at any school's sponsored activity or event whether or not it is held on school premises,**
- c. on a school's transportation vehicle,**
- d. at an official school bus stop,**
- e. using property or equipment provided by the school, or**
- f. acts which create a material and substantial disruption of the education process or the orderly operation of the school.**

2. SCHOOL CLIMATE

Bullying, cyberbullying, and retaliation against any person associated with a report of bullying or the investigation thereof is prohibited in all schools that are approved for the purpose of the compulsory attendance statute (§§16-19-1 and 16-19-2). School staff shall take all reasonable measures to prevent bullying at school. Such measures may include professional development and prevention activities, parental workshops, and student assemblies among other strategies. School faculty, administration and staff, at all times, will model courteous behavior to each other, to students, and to school visitors. Abusive or humiliating language or demeanor will not be accepted. Additionally, students and their families are expected to exhibit courteous behavior to all members of the learning community in school and at school sponsored events.

3. POLICY OVERSIGHT and RESPONSIBILITY

The school principal, director, or head of school shall be responsible for the implementation and oversight of this bullying policy.

The school principal, director, or head of school shall provide the superintendent, school committee and/or school governing board with a summary report of incidents, responses, and any other bullying-related issues at least twice annually.

For public schools, the prevention of bullying shall be part of the school district strategic plan (§ 16-7.1-2(e)) and school safety plan (§16-21-24).

4. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

The school principal, director or head of school shall ensure that students, staff, volunteers, and parents/legal guardians are provided information regarding this Policy. This information shall include methods of discouraging and preventing this type of behavior, the procedure to file a complaint, and the disciplinary action that may be taken against those who commit acts in violation of this policy. This policy shall be:

- a. Distributed annually to students, staff, volunteers, and parents/legal guardians**
- b. Included in student codes of conduct, disciplinary policies, and student handbooks**
- c. A prominently posted link on the home page of the school /district website**

5. REPORTING

The school principal, director or head of school shall establish, and

prominently publicize to students, staff, volunteers, and parents/guardians, how a report of bullying may be filed and how this report will be acted upon (See attached sample Report Form).

The victim of bullying, anyone who witnesses an incidence of bullying, and anyone who has credible information that an act of bullying has taken place may file a report of bullying.

Any student or staff member who believes he/she is being bullied should immediately report such circumstances to an appropriate staff member, teacher or administrator.

Parents / Guardians of the victim of bullying and parents/ guardians of the alleged perpetrator of the bullying shall be notified within twenty‐four (24) hours of the incident report. When there is a reasonable suspicion that a child is either a bully or a victim of bullying, the parents/ guardians of the child will be notified immediately by the principal, director or head of school.

Responsibility of Staff: School staff, including volunteers, who observe an act of bullying or who have reasonable grounds to believe that bullying is taking place must report the bullying to school authorities. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action.

Responsibility of Students: Students who observe an act of bullying or who have reasonable grounds to believe that bullying is taking place must report the bullying to school authorities. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action. The victim of bullying, however, shall not be subject to discipline for failing to report the bullying. Student reports of bullying or retaliation may be made anonymously, provided, however, that no disciplinary action shall be taken against a

student solely on the basis of an anonymous report.

Prohibition against Retaliation: Retaliation or threats of retaliation in any form designed to intimidate the victim of bullying, those who are witnesses to bullying, or those investigating an incident of bullying shall not be tolerated. Retaliation or threat of retaliation will result in the imposition of discipline in accordance with the school behavior code.

False Reporting/Accusations: A school employee, school volunteer or student who knowingly makes a false accusation of bullying or retaliation shall be disciplined in accordance with the school behavior code.

Reports in Good Faith: A school employee, school volunteer, student, parent/ legal guardian, or caregiver who promptly reports, in good faith, an act of bullying to the appropriate school official designated in the school's policy shall be immune from a cause of action for damages arising from reporting bullying.

6. INVESTIGATION/RESPONSE

The school principal, director or head of school shall promptly investigate all allegations of bullying, harassment, or intimidation. If the allegation is found to be credible, appropriate disciplinary actions, subject to applicable due process requirements, will be imposed. The School Resource Officer or other qualified staff may be utilized to mediate bullying situations.

The investigation will include an assessment by the school psychologist and/or social worker of what effect the bullying,

harassment or intimidation has had on the victim. A student who engages in continuous and/or serious acts of bullying will also be referred to the school psychologist and/or social worker.

Police Notification: Immediate notification of the local law enforcement agency will be made when circumstances warrant the pursuit of criminal charges against the perpetrator.

Protection: If a student is the victim of serious or persistent bullying:

a. The school principal, director or head of school will intervene immediately to provide the student with a safe educational environment.

b. The interventions will be developed, if possible, with input from the student, his or her parent/ guardian, and staff.

c. The parents/ guardians of a victim shall also be notified of the action taken to prevent any further acts of bullying or retaliation.

7. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

The disciplinary actions for violations of the bullying policy shall be determined by the school/district appropriate authority. Disciplinary actions for violations of the bullying policy shall balance the need for accountability with the need to teach appropriate behavior. The severity of the disciplinary action shall be aligned to the severity of the bullying behavior.

The range of disciplinary actions that may be taken against a perpetrator for bullying, cyberbullying or retaliation shall include, but not be limited to:

a. Admonitions and warnings

- b. Parental/ Guardian notification and meetings**
- c. Detention**
- d. In-school suspension**
- e. Loss of school-provided transportation or loss of student parking pass**
- f. Loss of the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities**
- g. Loss of the opportunity to participate in school social activities**
- h. Loss of the opportunity to participate in graduation exercises or middle school promotional activities**
- i. Police contact**
- j. School suspension: No student shall be suspended from school unless it is deemed to be a necessary consequence of the violation of this Policy.**

8. SOCIAL SERVICES/COUNSELING

Referral to appropriate counseling and/or social services currently being offered by schools or communities shall be provided for bullying victims, perpetrators and appropriate family members of said students.

9. SOCIAL NETWORKING

Students shall be prohibited from accessing social networking sites in school, except for educational or instructional purposes and with the prior approval from school administration.

10. OTHER REDRESS

This section does not prevent a victim of bullying, cyberbullying or retaliation from seeking redress under any

other available law, either civil or criminal. This section does not create or alter any tort liability.

11. ADOPTION OF POLICY

The governing bodies of all schools approved for the purpose of §§16‐19‐1 and 16‐19‐2 shall adopt this Policy by June 30, 2012.

REPORT FORM (SAMPLE)

(Bullying and/or Cyberbullying)

Name: _____ Student ID:

_____ Grade: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____ School:

_____ Please answer the following questions about this reporting incident:

List the name of the alleged bully, and/or cyberbully. If name is not known, provide any other identifiable information:

Relationship between you and the alleged bully, and/or cyberbully:

Describe the incident:

When and where did it happen?

Were there any witnesses? [] yes [] no If yes, who?

Other information, including previous incidents or threats:

Student or parent declines to complete this form: Initial:

_____ **Date:** _____

I certify that all statements made in the complaint are true and complete. Any intentional false statement of fact will subject me to appropriate discipline. I authorize school officials to disclose the information I provide only as necessary in pursuing the investigation.

Signatures:

Student:

_____**Date:** _____

School official receiving complaint:

_____ **Date:** _____

School official conducting follow-up:

_____ **Date:** _____

This document shall remain confidential

Second Reading: June 12, 2012

Cranston Public Schools

TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY Policy 6161.2

This policy's intent is to ensure appropriate educational access to computers, the CPS Network of computers, and the Internet.

Students found in violation of the Technology Acceptable Use Policy will be referred to the building principal or appropriate administrator and the parent or guardian will be notified. The building administrators will have the right and responsibility to exercise judgment in all technology use violations, including those that may not have been specifically outlined in the acceptable use policy. Consequences may include suspension of computer privileges, notification of police, and suspension from school and/or recommendation for exclusion from school for up to one calendar year.

Educational Purpose

1. The Cranston Public Schools Network (CPSnet) has been established for an educational purpose to support and enhance the curriculum. For the purpose of this policy, the term CPSnet shall include Cranston Public Schools computers, local area networks (LANs), wide area networks (WANs), wireless networks (Wi-Fi), and access to the Internet through CPSnet or other Internet Service Providers.

2. The CPSnet has not been established as a public access service or a public forum. Cranston Public Schools has the right to place restrictions on the material accessed or posted through the system. Users, including faculty, staff, students, and others granted access shall agree to follow the rules set forth in the Cranston Public Schools Disciplinary Procedure Handbook.

3. The CPSnet shall not be used for private commercial purposes. This means offering, providing or purchasing products or services for

non-school related usage.

4. Political lobbying is not allowed through the CPSnet.

Student Internet Access

1. Students will have access to the CPSnet information resources through their classrooms, library, or school computer labs.

2. Student users and their parent(s)/guardian(s) must sign the “Technology Acceptable Use Policy Agreement” portion of this handbook. Signatures are required in order for students to be granted access to the Internet. The parent(s)/guardian(s) can withdraw approval at any time.

Unacceptable Uses

1. Breach of Personal Safety

a. Student users will not post personal contact information about themselves, their parent(s)/guardians or other people. Personal contact information includes (but is not restricted to) home address, telephone, school address, work address or parent information, etc.

b. Student users will not meet in person with anyone met online.

c. Student users will promptly disclose to a teacher or other school employee any message received that is inappropriate or makes them feel uncomfortable.

2. Illegal Activities

a. Users will not attempt to gain unauthorized access to the CPS network or to any other computer system through the CPSnet or go

beyond authorized access levels. This includes attempting to log in through another person's account or access another person's files. These actions are illegal, even if only for the purposes of "browsing."

b. Users will not make deliberate attempts to disrupt the CPSnet or any other computer system or destroy data by spreading computer viruses or by any other means. These actions are illegal.

c. Users will not use the CPSnet to engage in any other illegal act, such as arranging for a drug sale or the purchase of alcohol, engaging in criminal activity, threatening the safety of a person and/or invading the privacy of individuals.

d. System Security

e. Under no conditions should a password be provided to another person. Users are responsible for their individual accounts and should take all reasonable precautions to prevent others from being able to use their accounts to protect their own liability.

f. Users will immediately notify a teacher or a system administrator if a possible security problem has been identified.

g. Users will avoid the spread of computer viruses by following the district virus protection procedures.

3. Inappropriate Language

a. Users will not send, display or receive any public and/or private messages through the CPSnet that contain inappropriate language. This restriction also applies to material posted on school web pages.

b. Users will not send, display or receive messages through the CPSnet that use obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, inflammatory,

threatening, or disrespectful language.

c. Users will not send, display or receive information through the CPSnet that could cause damage or disruption.

d. Users will not send, display or otherwise engage in personal attacks, including prejudicial or discriminatory attacks through the CPSnet.

e. Users will not send, display or receive messages through the CPSnet that harass another person. Harassment is persistently acting in a manner that distresses or annoys another person. If asked to stop sending messages, the user must stop.

f. Users will not send, display or receive false or defamatory information about a person or organization through the CPSnet.

g. Users will not send, display or receive anonymous messages using pseudonym signatures through the CPSnet.

4. Respect for Privacy

a. Users will respect the privacy of confidential messages and will not repost those messages without the permission of the person who sent the message.

b. Users will not post private information about another person or organization.

5. Respect for Resource Limits

a. Users will utilize the system only for educational activities and limited, high quality self-discovery activities. Faculty will provide developmentally appropriate guidance to students as they make use

of telecommunications and electronic information resources to conduct research and other studies related to the Cranston Public Schools curriculum. All students will be informed by faculty of their rights and responsibilities as users of the CPSnetwork prior to gaining access to that network, either as an individual user or as a member of a class or group.

b. Student users will not download any file without the expressed permission of the instructor.

c. Users will not post chain letters or engage in “spamming.” Spamming is sending an annoying or unnecessary message to a large number of people.

d. All users will check their e-mail frequently and delete unwanted messages promptly.

6. Plagiarism and Copyright Infringement

a. Users will provide proper citation for information gathered from CD-ROMs, through the CPSnet, or on the Internet. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as if they were yours.

b. Users will respect the rights of copyright owners. Copyright infringement occurs when a user inappropriately reproduces a work that is protected by a copyright. A work includes: text, graphics, photos, sounds, music, animation, video and software programs. If a work contains language that specifies appropriate use of that work, users should follow the expressed requirements. If unsure whether or not a work may be used, permission from the copyright owner

must be requested.

7. Inappropriate Access to Material

a. Receiving or inputting pornographic materials, promoting violence, engaging in racial, gender or other defamatory slurs or for personal attacks on others through the CPSnet is strictly prohibited.

b. Receiving or transmitting information throughout the CPSnet pertaining to dangerous instruments such as bombs, automatic weapons, or other illicit firearms, weaponry, or explosive devices is prohibited.

c. The CPSnet does not permit the use of chatrooms.

Individual Rights

1. Search and Seizure

a. Network administrators may review files and communications to maintain system integrity and to ensure that users are utilizing the CPSnet responsibly. Users should not expect that files stored on district servers or computers will be private.

b. An individual search will be conducted if there is reasonable suspicion that a user has violated this policy.

2. Due Process

a. The Cranston Public Schools will cooperate fully with local, state, or federal officials in any investigation related to any illegal activities conducted through the CPSnet.

b. In the event there is a claim that a user has violated this policy, the

user will be notified of the suspected violation. An opportunity to present an explanation will be provided.

Limitation of Liability

- 1. The Cranston Public Schools makes no guarantee that the functions or the services provided by or through the CPSnet will be error-free or without defect.**
- 2. The Cranston Public Schools will not be responsible for any damage suffered, including but not limited to, loss of data or interruptions of service.**
- 3. The Cranston Public Schools is not responsible for the accuracy or quality of the information obtained through or stored on the CPSnet.**
- 4. The Cranston Public Schools will not be responsible for financial obligations arising through the unauthorized use of the CPSnet system.**

Policy 6161.2 Amended

Internet Safety

- 1. The Cranston Public Schools will provide age-appropriate training for students who use the Cranston Public Schools Internet facilities. The training provided will be designed to promote the district's commitment to:**
 - a. The standards and acceptable use of Internet services as set forth**

in the Cranston Public Schools Internet Safety Policy

b. Student safety with regard to safety on the Internet

c. Appropriate behavior while on online, on social networking Web sites, and in chat rooms

d. Cyberbullying awareness and response.

2. Compliance with the E-rate requirements of the Children's Internet Protection Act ("CIPA") in the Cranston Public Schools is achieved with the assistance of M86 web filtering hosted by RINET. This utility allows the district to block access to inappropriate content. The following is a guideline to the filtering that has been configured through the R3000 interface.

High School Category Blocks

o Adult Content

o Child Pornography

o Pornography

o Games

Middle School Category Blocks

o Adult Content

o Child Pornography

o Pornography

o "R" Rated

o Games

Elementary School Category Blocks

o Adult Content

o Child Pornography

o Pornography

o "R" Rated

o Obscene/Tasteless

o Games

Cranston District wide Custom Blocks

o Facebook

o Myspace

o YouTube (able to access safe videos through VuSafe)

Following receipt of this training, the student will acknowledge that he/she received the training, understood it, and will follow the provisions of the District's acceptable use policies.

It is a privilege, not a right, to use the CPSnet and the information resources found on the network and on the Internet.

PARENT SIGNATURE PAGE

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and students must sign both the "DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES" AND the "TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY" sections of this page. Sign and return this form to school.

TO: The Principal

FROM:

Student's

Name:

Student's

Homeroom:

_____ Date:

We have read, discussed, and understand the DISCIPLINARY POLICY AND PROCEDURES HANDBOOK FOR CRANSTON PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

**Student's Signature:
Signature**

Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

TECHNOLOGY ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

I, _____(Student's Signature), as a user of the Cranston Public Schools' CPSnetwork, agree to follow the rules of the Technology Acceptable Use Policy.

PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S)

As the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the minor student signing above, I have read the "Technology Acceptable Use Policy" and agree to promote this policy with my son/daughter. Having read the policy, I grant permission for my son/daughter to access networked computer services such as electronic mail and the Internet.

Parent/Guardian

Signature:

Date: _____

Once properly completed, this agreement page should be removed from the booklet and returned to the student's homeroom teacher

before the completion of the first week of school. Non-compliance will result in disciplinary action.

PERMISSION TO APPEAR IN PUBLICATIONS

As the parent/guardian of the minor student signing above,

CHECK ONE: I ___do agree I___do not agree to allow my child to be photographed and/or identified in print or electronic publication as those photographs pertain to the promotion of school functions.

Parent/Guardian Initials: _____

Second Reading – June 12, 2012

Policy 6161.2 Amended

Cranston Public Schools

School Bus Advertising Policy

Cranston School District will hire a company to operate and maintain the marketing/advertising program for school buses. This company shall be chosen through a request for proposal process (RFP). Fees will be paid out of advertising profit under contract.

Approval of Advertisements

Final approval of advertisers and advertisements must be made by a

majority vote of the School Committee. Advertisements must meet restrictions and guidelines as set forth below in order to be eligible for approval.

Advertising Restrictions/Guidelines:

The following restrictions for advertising will include but not be limited to the following in place for all advertisements placed on school buses:

The advertising will not:

- Promote violence, hostility or disorder**
- Promote any religious or political organization**
- Promote, favor or oppose any candidacy, bond issue, budget issue, or public questions submitted for any election**
- Be obscene or pornographic as defined by local standards**
- Promote the use of tobacco, alcohol, narcotic drugs**
- Interfere with the safety and recognition of a school bus**
- Be slanderous**

Privatization of Transportation Fleet and Services

- If Cranston Public Schools decides to retain the services of a private busing company for transporting our students we would require that the company adhere to all aspects of the School Bus Advertising Policy as adopted. This policy would be included in any and all RFP's that are part of the process of privatization.**
- If Cranston Public Schools allows the private busing company to place advertising on the buses the School District and the private company will split the profit from advertising equally.**

Advertiser Responsibilities

The advertiser will be responsible to pay the district and its' contractors for all costs related to advertising on the school buses, including but not limited to:

- Storing advertising**
- Retrofitting buses**
- Attaching advertisements**
- Related maintenance**
- Monthly advertising placement fees**
- Removal of advertising**

Exterior bus advertising placement

- Advertisements placed on exterior of buses will not exceed the requirements set by the General Assembly legislation guidelines**
- Only one advertisement per exterior side of bus (total of 2 per bus—1 on each side)**
- May not extend from the body of the bus**
- Must be at least three inches from any required lettering, lighting, wheel well , reflector or other safety features**
- Shall not interfere with the operation of any doors or windows**
- Shall not be placed on emergency exits**

Interior bus advertising placement

- **Advertisements placed on the interior of buses will not exceed a maximum length of 24 inches or a maximum width of 10 inches per sign**
- **Maximum 6 advertisements per bus interior**
- **Must be at least three inches from any required lettering, lighting, wheel well, reflector or other safety features**
- **Shall not interfere with the operation of any doors or windows**
- **Shall not be placed on emergency exits**

School Bus Advertising Fund

Revenue raised from advertising contracts shall be remitted directly to the school district and held in subaccounts for the following purposes:

70 % towards replacement of existing school bus fleet

20% towards programs determined by the school district

10% towards capital expenditures for school improvements

Rates and Fees for Advertising

Rates and fees will be set by marketing firm subject to School Committee approval.

Rates will be discounted for Cranston-based businesses subject to School Committee approval.

A minimum per bus and per month fee schedule will be set subject to School Committee approval.