



DATE: May 6, 2020

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Robert Leri, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

SUBJECT: First Read of Proposed New Board Policy 5131.8, Mobile Communication Devices

PRESENTED BY: Jeff Santos, Executive Director of Student Services

ACTION REQUESTED

First Read of Proposed New Board Policy 5131.8, Mobile Communication Devices, and provide direction to bring back to the next Regular Board Meeting

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

New policy reflects NEW LAW (AB 272) which authorizes boards to limit or prohibit student use of smartphones while at school or while under the supervision and control of a district employee, except under specified circumstances (i.e., in an emergency, with permission of teacher or administrator, when directed by student's health care provider, when required by student's individualized education program). Policy also addresses reasonable search of students' mobile communication devices, employees' authority to confiscate a device, and discipline for off-campus use of a mobile communication device which poses a threat of danger to the safety of students, staff, or district property or substantially disrupts school activities.

RESOURCES REQUIRED: N/A

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