

# POLICY

## Greater Brunswick Charter Board of Education

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5516. USE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDING DEVICES (ECRD) (M)  
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The Board of Trustees believes pupils and/or school staff members should not be subject to having a video or audio recording taken of any pupil(s) or school staff member(s) for any purpose without the consent of the pupil, the pupil's parent or guardian, and/or the school staff member. In addition to protecting the privacy rights of pupils and school staff members, the Board recognizes such recordings can be disruptive to the educational program. In addition, inappropriate recordings of educational material, pupil assessment instruments, and/or pupil assessment reviews can be used to compromise the integrity of the school's educational program or lead to academic dishonesty in the event such recordings are stored and/or transmitted to other pupils. Therefore, the Board of Trustees adopts this Policy regarding pupil use of electronic communication and recording devices.

"Electronic communication and recording device (ECRD)" includes any device with the capability to audio or video record or is capable of receiving or transmitting any type of communication between persons. An ECRD includes, but is not limited to, cameras, cellular and wireless telephones, pagers/beepers, laptop computers, electronic readers, personal digital assistants (PDAs), two-way radios, portable fax machines, video broadcasting devices, and any other device that allows a person to record and/or transmit, on either a real time or delayed basis, sound, video or still images, text, or other information.

A pupil is not permitted to bring, possess, or use an ECRD on school grounds at any time, regardless of whether school is in session or not.

For the purposes of this policy, "school grounds" means and includes land, portions of land, structures, buildings, and structures that support these buildings, including, but not limited to, administrative buildings, kitchens, maintenance shops, and garages. "School grounds" also includes other facilities as defined in N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.2, playgrounds, and other recreational places owned by the local municipalities, private entities, or other individuals during those times when the school has exclusive use of a portion of such land.

An ECRD used in violation of this Policy will be confiscated by a school staff member or Assistant Education Director or designee and the pupil will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

N.J.S.A. 2C:33-19  
N.J.A.C. 6A:16-5.8

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