



POLICY: EBCE – THREAT MANAGEMENT – USE OF VIDEO SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

REGULATION:

EXHIBIT:

The Board recognizes that privacy is a critical value in a democratic society and emphasizes that this video surveillance policy, and the practical use of video surveillance, must be guided by a commitment to the privacy of staff, students, volunteers and the general public.

The Board authorizes the use of video surveillance equipment on school division property, and buses where it is necessary to enhance the safety of students and others on school premises, and to deter destructive acts. Where circumstances have shown that it is necessary, video surveillance equipment may be used if the benefits of its use outweigh its impact on the privacy of those observed. It is not the intent of the surveillance to monitor the work of staff, or the activities of volunteers.

In dealing with such surveillance, the Board recognizes that it has a legal obligation to provide appropriate levels of supervision in the interests of student safety, and further recognizes that students have privacy rights that are reduced, but not eliminated, while the students are under the supervision of the school. Video surveillance must therefore be carried out in a way that respects student and public privacy rights.

A video recording is recognized to be subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

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OTHER REFERENCE:

