

Video Surveillance

The Bethany Board of Education recognizes the Bethany Public School District's (District) responsibility to maintain order, discipline, safety, and security on District property. The Board recognizes the value of electronic surveillance systems in monitoring activity on District property in furtherance of protecting the health, welfare, and safety of its students and staff. The students and staff of the District recognize that their security and safety depends upon the capacity of the District to maintain discipline, control building access and that a certain amount of restraint upon the activities of students and building visitors is assumed and expected.

Cameras shall not be placed in areas where students, staff, and community members have a reasonable expectation of privacy such as restrooms, locker rooms, and lounges.

The use of video recordings from surveillance equipment shall be subject to the other policies of the District including policies concerning the confidentiality of student and personnel records.

The Superintendent or designee shall notify staff and students through student handbooks, District website, or by other means that video surveillance may occur on District property and student transportation.

Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes § 10-221
Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. §§ 1232g
et seq.

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