

DUDLEY-CHARLTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY

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School and District Web Pages

The Dudley-Charlton Regional School District realizes the potential for information and communication provided by the World Wide Web. The availability of this communication vehicle provides an opportunity for students and staff to access and contribute to the world of information related to curriculum, instruction, school, and school community related activities. Therefore, the district will use the Internet as an effective, efficient and timely source of information, method of communication and vehicle for resource collection. In order to take advantage of the opportunities the Internet provides, the committee authorizes the creation of a district and/or an individual school web page on the Internet.

Only those web pages maintained in accordance with committee policy and established procedures shall be recognized as official representations of the district or individual schools. All information on a district or school web page must accurately reflect the mission, goals, policies, program, and activities of the school and of the district. The web pages must have a purpose that falls within at least one of three categories:

1. Support of curriculum and instruction – intended to provide links to Internet resources for students, parents/guardians, and staff in schools.
2. Public information – intended to communicate information about the schools to students, staff, parents/guardians, community, and the world at large.
3. Schools' technology support – intended to provide and respond to instructional and administrative technology needs of students and staff.

The superintendent shall designate an individual(s) to be responsible for maintaining the official district web page and monitoring all schools' web page activity. A principal shall make such designation for an individual school. Schools or departments that wish to publish a web page must identify an appropriately qualified publisher and/or author.

As with all instructional materials or publication used by or representing the district or the individual schools, the principal or superintendent, respectively, are ultimately responsible for accuracy and appropriateness of the information made available at the web site. Concern about the content of any page(s) created by students or staff should be directed to the principal or to the Superintendent's office when related to the individual schools' web site.

Web sites developed under contract for the district or within the scope of employment by the district employees are the property of the district.

Due to the dynamic nature of the World Wide Web, this policy is to be reviewed and updated on an annual basis, or more frequently if required.

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