A. PURPOSE

The Garrett County Board of Education supports safe and appropriate use of the Garrett County Public School (GCPS) network infrastructure, internet, and equipment by staff and students. This policy complies with the Children's Internet Protection Act [Pub L. No. 106-554 and 47 USC 254(h)]. The Garrett County Board of Education directs the administration to develop procedures that provide direction for acceptable use of technology by staff and students.

B. ISSUE

The Garrett County Board of Education recognizes that the network infrastructure, internet and the equipment used to access such infrastructure is needed to provide students a wide variety of instructional resources.

C. POSITION

For employees and students alike, the use of the GCPS’s network infrastructure and all supporting technology equipment is designed for the official business of the school system. The use of the school system technology equipment is to provide a safe, secure learning environment for the students. It is the responsibility of all students to follow all policy and procedure as they pertain to the use of the infrastructure.

D. IMPLEMENTATION

The Superintendent is authorized to develop regulations to implement this policy.