

HOOKSETT SCHOOL DISTRICT
VIDEO AND AUDIO RECORDING FOR INSTRUCTIONAL PURPOSES

Hooksett School Board is committed to the use of technology to enhance the education of its students. The Board acknowledges that video, digital video and audio recording ("recording") in the classroom may be useful for instructional purposes. In addition, there are times when live streaming, or internet access to digital video and audio recording are appropriate. For example, these technologies may be useful tools to provide access to students in remote locations, home-bound or hospital-bound students, or to permit a student to recover classroom instruction lost during an extended absence.

The decision whether or not to conduct video, digital video or audio recording for educational purposes shall be made in the first instance by the classroom teacher and their request and consent to recording shall be documented in writing and placed on file with the Principal. All such recordings shall be deemed the copy written property of Hooksett School District and shall not be reproduced without Hooksett School District's express permission. Recordings shall not be sold. Recording in the classroom for other than educational purposes is prohibited. Recordings made for instructional use are intended to provide information for pedagogical and scholarly study, and do not constitute educational records under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Only the student(s) or instructor, on whose behalf a request for recording is made, will be granted access to that recording. The Principal may authorize others to view an existing recording on a case-by-case and as-needed basis.

Student recording as an accommodation in their Individualized Education Plan or Section 504 Plan shall not be deemed a school recording unless the recording is conducted by the school on behalf of the student. All recordings made as an accommodation, or for instructional recovery or academic study shall be erased at the end of the semester or when they are no longer needed, whichever is the later event. If the classroom teacher wishes to preserve a recording for future instructional purposes, they shall seek permission from the Principal to preserve the recording.

No recording shall take place in a classroom without first securing the written consent of each adult student, or minor student's parent or guardian. An adult student or parent who refuses consent for a class where recording is the curriculum, such as a television or broadcast journalism course, shall not be permitted to enroll in the course. This policy shall be reproduced in the next student handbook, and the parent or adult student's written receipt of the handbook shall be deemed written consent to Hooksett School District's use of video and audio classroom recording for instructional purpose unless the adult student or parent opts out of granting permission. Until such policy is reproduced in the handbook, this policy and a permission form shall be disseminated by the classroom educator when recording in their classroom is contemplated. The educator shall be responsible for garnering the adult student or parent's written consent and placing the same on file with the Building Principal before recording may take place in the classroom. Hooksett School District reserves the right to reassign students to classes in accordance with their recording preferences.

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This policy does not apply to the recording by Hooksett School District of events such as public concerts, graduation ceremonies, athletic events, and the like; all of which are not considered classroom recording. This policy has been adopted after a public hearing conducted by the Hooksett School Board.

See also policy EEAA

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Legal References:
RSA 189:68(IV)
20 U.S.C. § 1232g
34 CFR Part 99 (FERPA)