



Mayfield City Schools

EVERY STUDENT. EVERY DAY.

Notice to parents/guardians regarding Senate Bill 29 (SB29)

October 24, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you may know, a new Ohio law (Senate Bill 29) regarding education records and student data privacy will take effect on Thursday, October 24, 2024. While the Mayfield City School District has always been committed to safeguarding these responsibilities, this new law requires us to notify parents/guardians about student data privacy and monitoring.

SB29 is designed to improve data privacy and cybersecurity in Ohio schools. This bill also prohibits school districts and technology providers from electronically accessing certain features of school-issued devices, such as location tracking, audio and visual recording, and student interactions, unless a legally permissible exception exists.

With regard to SB 29 and the Mayfield City School District student 1:1 device agreement:

- Location tracking features of a school-issued device:

Mayfield has never used or installed any program with GPS tracking for student devices.

- Audio or visual receiving, transmitting, or recording feature of a school-issued device:

Mayfield has never used or installed any software that allows us to remotely spy on any students via web cam or audio recording in their homes.

- Student interactions with a school-issued device, including but not limited to the keystrokes and web-browsing activity:

Due to funding requirements of federal e-rate and the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), Mayfield has always provided web filtering for student devices. Information about CIPA is linked below.

CIPA: https://www.fcc.gov/sites/default/files/childrens_internet_protection_act_cipa.pdf

In the district's 1:1 Device Agreement (linked below), which parents and students in grades 2-12 are required to sign before receiving a school-issued device, Mayfield clearly outlines our access to these devices and the expectations for their use. Please be assured that Mayfield City Schools is dedicated to ensuring the safety of every child when using technology and the internet. Thank you!

[View the Mayfield 1:1 Agreement](#)

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