

POLICY RELATING TO PUPIL SERVICES

VIDEOTAPING AND PHOTOGRAPHING OF DISTRICT STUDENTS

The Wachusett Regional School Committee is committed to the protection of students' rights to privacy and preservation of time on learning during the school day. Therefore, photographing or videotaping students on District property for commercial reasons is prohibited without the prior approval of the Superintendent or his/her designee. Requests for permission to photograph or videotape students for commercial purposes must be made in writing to the Superintendent in advance of the proposed date of the event, and his/her response shall be the final action on the matter.

On occasion, student work and/or images of students may be captured through various technologies utilized within the school, displayed on District websites, or released to the media. At the start of the school year or upon entering the school district, parents shall have the opportunity to opt-out of any form of media publication. Any images captured by students must be done with the prior permission of relevant school personnel.

School staff capturing images of school activities (i.e. sports, concerts, plays, etc.) must receive prior permission from the school principal. The school principal shall notify participants prior to said activities of the potential for media recording or use.

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