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Data Stewardship & Responsible Technology Use

Every day, educators and staff are entrusted with information that supports teaching, learning, and the well-being of our students.

Protecting that information is not solely a technical responsibility. It is a professional obligation shared by everyone who works with district data.

Whether we share a document, adopt a new digital resource, or approve access to information, each decision contributes to the security and privacy of our learning environment.

Good stewardship begins with thoughtful decisions

This Month's Cyber Focus:

Data stewardship is the practice of managing information responsibly throughout its lifecycle.

Every day we make decisions that influence how information is collected, shared, stored, and protected

These decisions may seem routine, but together they shape our district's security posture.

Responsible stewardship means recognizing that convenience should never outweigh thoughtful consideration.

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Examples Include:

- **Sharing documents with colleagues.**
- **Granting access to digital resources.**
- **Requesting new instructional tools.**
- **Uploading information to online platforms.**
- **Reviewing application permissions.**

Security Spotlight

Information Is Entrusted to Us

Every student record, staff document, and district resource represents information entrusted to our care.

Good stewardship means treating that information with the same professionalism we bring to every other aspect of education.

Responsible technology use is not about limiting innovation. It is about ensuring innovation supports learning while protecting the privacy and trust of our school community.

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Smart Habits That Help

Strong stewardship is built through consistent habits:

- **Use approved district applications whenever possible.**
- **Share information only with those who need access.**
- **Review application permissions before granting them.**
- **Consider what information a new tool is requesting.**
- **Pause before introducing new technology into established workflows.**

Thoughtful decisions today reduce unnecessary risk tomorrow.

For Families

Families can reinforce responsible technology habits by encouraging students to:

- **Think carefully before sharing personal information online.**
- **Review privacy settings on new applications and devices.**
- **Understand that free apps may still collect valuable information.**
- **Choose trusted digital resources whenever possible.**

Final Thoughts

Technology will continue to create new opportunities for learning and collaboration.

Our responsibility to protect the information entrusted to us remains constant.

Every thoughtful decision about how we collect, share, and safeguard information strengthens our schools and the trust placed in us by our students, families, and community.

Information entrusted to us deserves intentional care.

Until next time,
-Office of Information Security

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