

**USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN INSTRUCTION**

The Board of Trustees encourages the instructional use of computers, videotapes, interactive videodisks, distance learning, cable television and other technologies. The Board perceives that these technologies:

- Give students new ways to access information and practice skills
- Help teachers meet a wide range of learning styles
- Enable teachers to move from whole-class instruction to a mixture of small-group and individualized instruction
- Help students develop reasoning and problem-solving abilities
- Will be a part of students' everyday lives

The Board recognizes that trained teachers are needed to make the best use of the district's technology. Teachers and instructional aides shall receive training in using the technologies available to them. All district schools shall have the opportunity to obtain computers, software and other equipment.

The district's educational software shall be carefully selected and evaluated so as to meet the teachers' and students' needs and conform with district policy and regulations.

*(cf. 3512 - Equipment)*  
*(cf. 4132/4232/4332 - Publication or Creation of Materials)*  
*(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)*  
*(cf. 6161.11 - Supplementary Instructional Materials)*  
*(cf. 6162.6 - Use of Copyrighted Materials)*

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE  
51865 California distance learning policy  
51870-51874 Educational Technology Act of 1992

*Management Resources:*

CDE PUBLICATIONS  
The California Master Plan For Educational Technology, April 1992