

# Boys & Girls Clubs of Lincoln/Lancaster County Technology Use Policy

# **Computer Usage and Privacy**

All employees have computer access to access the internal network and the Internet, including use of electronic mail and the World Wide Web. While the internet is a great resource for our organization, it is the responsibility of each employee to use this resource responsibly and respectfully.

Access to these resources will be for work use only. If an employee is found spending excessive time for personal use of these resources, this privilege may be revoked for that employee and in some cases be cause for termination.

All electronic mail sent from company computers and over the Club's network represents the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lincoln/Lancaster County as a whole, and as such, should be written in a professional and appropriate manner. This also applies to any material that is published on the Club's website, <a href="https://www.lincolnbgc.org">www.lincolnbgc.org</a>.

Employees' online activities, both at work and off-duty, may pose risks to not only themselves, but also others including BGCL. There is the potential for:

- Decreased productivity, efficiency, and performance
- Reduction of, and threats to, the performance and capacity of BGCL networks and equipment
- Disclosure of confidential business or client information
- Breaches of other BGCL privacy or security rules.
- Other activities that might expose the employee, others, or BGCL to legal liability

# Personal Devices and Social Media

#### **Use of Cell Phones While at Work**

Cell phone usage in the workplace is to be limited to business needs only. Utilizing a cell phone, or other personal device, distracts from the members being watched appropriately and limits engagement with BGCL programs/activities. Conducting any personal business while an employee is on duty for BGCL distracts from the mission and may be dangerous. Cell phones or electronic devices should not be used for personal reasons while on duty except in emergency situations. Personal use of cell phones could result in disciplinary actions, including termination. Employees are asked to utilize voicemail, or a similar service, to handle incoming messages or calls while on duty.

# **Use of Cell Phones While Operating a Vehicle**

Use of a cell phone or electronic device for any reason including calling, accessing the internet, and/or texting is prohibited while operating a moving vehicle when conducting BGCL business or participating in a BGCL activity. This policy applies whether the vehicle is one provided by BGCL or a private vehicle. BGCL recognizes that state and local laws may permit the use of a cell phone while using a hands-free device. However, due to safety concerns, it is the policy of BGCL to prohibit cell phone use while operating a moving vehicle even if use is permitted by law.

Should an emergency occur, drivers must pull over to a safe place to make any required calls.

### **Social Media**

Personal use of social media including, but not limited to, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and TikTok should not happen while at work. Employees are responsible for what is posted on social media. Please keep in mind that what is done or said online has the potential to impact BGCL and for this reason personal activity must comply with guidelines set forth in the Clubs Privacy and Technology Policies.

If an employee is contacted by a member of the media or by an elected official about social media postings related to BGCL, they must NOT respond, but instead contact the Executive Director at (531) 500-1084 for guidance on how to move forward.