

## **6Hx19-1.39      SOCIAL NETWORKING POLICY**

The purpose of this Board Rule is to establish Board policy relating to the use of social networking and related software by the students, faculty, and staff of Pasco-Hernando Community College.

This policy does not replace existing computer use policies within the College but addresses pertinent issues relating specifically to the use of social networking sites and related software.

Social networking and related software may be utilized within the College to augment student-to-student, student-to-faculty/staff and faculty/staff to faculty/staff engagement but should not be used to replace College supported E-learning platforms. Faculty/staff members who provide and facilitate a social network capability will be responsible for ensuring the appropriate use and prevention of inappropriate use by providing ground rules and guidelines. The President shall enact procedures to implement this policy and such procedures may be supplemented by standard, minimal "protocols and guidelines". At a minimum, such procedures shall address the storage of personal or sensitive data external of the College, collection and storage of student data, defamation and libel, respect of others and harassment, misrepresentation of identity, inappropriate or obscene material, and copyright.

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Legal Authority:

General Authority: 1001.64; 1001.65

Other References:

Law Implemented: 1001.64(1)(2)(3)(4)(8)(18)(33)(43)(44);  
1001.65(1)(3)(16)(25)

Proposer: Katherine M. Johnson, President