Parents, please read this Policy in its entirety. Be advised that by utilizing and participating in the Stanislaus County Office of Education’s (SCOE), Online Learning Platform and associated applications, you are, through your family’s use of said Online Learning Platform, and associated applications are consenting and agreeing to all of the terms of use as outlined herein.

The intent of this Online Learning Policy (OLP) is to prevent unauthorized access and other unlawful activities by users online, prevent unauthorized disclosure of, or access to, sensitive information, and to comply with legislation including, but not limited to, the Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA), Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA), Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and the California Electronic Communications Privacy Act (CalECPA). Furthermore, the OLP delineates the educational purpose of the District Online Learning Platform.

As used in this OLP, “Online Learning Platform and associated applications” includes direct and/or indirect instruction provided by the and/or its employees or representatives via any and all electronic means and platforms including, but not limited to, Zoom or Google Hangout, email, instant/private messaging, virtual office hours, videoconferencing, prerecorded lessons; Go Guardian, Buzz, Class Dojo, Florida Virtual School, and/or any other instructional platforms utilized by educational staff. As used in this OLP, “user” includes anyone using computers, tablets, Internet, email, and/or any other forms of electronic communication or equipment, whether or not provided by the District, and regardless of the physical location of the user and/or the electronic equipment or platform(s) used, to access or communicate with or through the OLP and associated applications. As used in this OLP, “parent” is defined as a biological or adoptive parent, legal guardian, or educational rights holder who has rights to access pupil record information. Only parents of current SCOE students and currently enrolled SCOE students are authorized users of the OLP and associated applications and only users may access or use the SCOE OLP and associated applications.

SCOE uses technology protection measures to block or filter access, as much as reasonably possible, to visual and written depictions that are obscene, pornographic, or harmful to minors over the OLP and associated applications. SCOE will implement available and appropriate measures to ensure its OLP and associated applications are secure against any and all potential cyber security threats. This may include blocking access to some or all of the SCOE OLP and associated applications, including, but not limited to, email, videoconferencing, data management and reporting tools, and other web applications.

Users should have no expectation of privacy regarding their use of SCOE equipment, network, accounts, and/or Internet access or files, including electronic communications with SCOE accounts.

**Parent & Student Responsibility**

By using the SCOE OLP Platform and associated applications, you acknowledge that you understand and agree to all of the following user requirements:

- Parent/Student will practice positive digital citizenship, including appropriate behavior and contributions during videoconference instruction and all other electronic
communications. Parent/Student will not engage in behavior that disrupts the learning environment or videoconference instruction or compromises school and student safety and security.

☐ Parent/Student will not record any videoconference instruction and understand that any recording violates Education Code section 51512, which states in pertinent part:

**Use by any person, including a pupil, of any electronic listening or recording device in any classroom of the elementary and secondary schools without the prior consent of the teacher and the principal of the school given to promote an educational purpose disrupts and impairs the teaching process and discipline in the elementary and secondary schools, and such use is prohibited. Any person, other than a pupil, who willfully violates this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.**

Any pupil violating this section shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

☐ Parent/Student will not share personal information about themselves or others, including, but not limited to, names, home addresses, telephone numbers, birth dates, or email addresses.

☐ Parent/Student will abide by all laws, this Online Learning Policy and all SCOE policies including, but not limited to any SCOE Acceptable Use of Technology Policies or Procedures.

☐ Parent/Student will not share any passwords or classroom links with anyone nor directly or indirectly allow another person to use them.

☐ Parent/Student will not access the account information of others.

☐ Parent/Student will log out of classroom links when online instruction has ended in order to maintain privacy and security.

☐ Parent/Student will not use the SCOE OLP and associated applications or SCOE equipment to obtain unauthorized information, attempt to access information protected by privacy laws, or impersonate other users or persons.

☐ Parent/Student will comply with all SCOE guidelines and expectations for use and participation in programs offered through the SCOE OLP, including student participation during both synchronous and asynchronous learning opportunities. SCOE’s guidelines and expectations may be communicated through a variety of means, including, but not limited to, directions and expectations communicated by individual teachers.

☐ Parent/Student will report system security weaknesses or security events to SCOE.

**Consequences for Inappropriate Use**

Misuse of SCOE OLP and associated applications will result in restricted access. Failure to uphold the requirements and responsibilities listed above is misuse. Such misuse may also lead to legal action.

**Disclaimer**
SCOE makes no guarantees about the quality of the electronic platform services provided including, but not limited to, Zoom, Google Hangout, etc., and is not liable for any claims, losses, damages, costs, or other obligations arising from use of said platforms.

SCOE reserves the right to revise this OLP from time to time, regardless of when user initially began using the OLP and associated applications and/or agreed to the terms of this OLP. SCOE will date and post the most current version of this OLP on the SCOE website at www.stancoe.org. Any changes will be effective upon posting the revised version of this OLP (or such later effective date as may be indicated) and such updated OLP will be applicable to users and uses of the OLP and associated applications. No other notice is required to be provided to user. User is encouraged to review this OLP each time user uses the OLP and associated applications as well as any revised OLP and associated applications.