

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WAUPACA

SERIES 800 SCHOOL-COMMUNITY RELATIONS (Revised 05/10/16)

CODE: 832

UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

This policy for Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVS) or drones focuses on public safety and the facilitation of event planning and administration. This policy does not apply to educational use as part of a class, club, or educational experience taught by school district personnel.

The use of drones/UAVs for any purpose during extra-curricular, co-curricular, or any time students and/or members of the general public are organized in attendance may be permitted provided the following conditions and requirements are satisfied:

- A. Drone operation requires Certificate of Authorization (COA) – or the necessary 333 Exemption – as issued by the FAA when required by law, and advanced written consent (at least 24 hours) from the Principal or District Office.
- B. A signed agreement from the operator must be provided to the district, holding the School District of Waupaca harmless from any claims of harm to individuals or damage to property that results from drone operation at the district. In addition, UAV operators must provide the building principal or District Office personnel proof of insurance with liability limits of not less than \$1 million that identifies the School District of Waupaca as additionally insured. UAV operators not employed by the School District of Waupaca must provide evidence of workers compensation insurance before they may operate a UAV.
- C. UAV controllers must maintain line of sight at all times during operation and are prohibited from flying or landing UAVs over playing surfaces, seating and spectator areas where and when people are present, as well as event parking areas where and when people and vehicles are present.
- D. UAV controllers (and their employers if operating the UAV under the direction of an employer) are responsible for ensuring operators are trained in the use of the drone they will operate. UAV operators must be aware of the risks that include, but not limited to, personal injury, advertising injury, and property damage caused by the UAV as a result of weather, operator error or judgement, and failure of device systems and equipment.
- E. When recording or transmitting visual images, UAV controllers must avoid areas reasonably considered private in accordance with social norms. These areas include, but are not limited to, restrooms, locker rooms, individual residences and health treatment rooms. In Wisconsin, it is a misdemeanor to use a drone to “photograph, record, or otherwise observe another individual in a place where the individual has a reasonable expectation of privacy.” (Wisconsin Statute 942.10)

Failure to follow this policy may result in local, state and federal penalties if applicable.

Drone Requirement Checklist:

- _____ FAA approval with Certificate of Authorization or necessary 333 Exemption
- _____ School Principal or District Office approval
- _____ Proof of insurance as required by this policy
- _____ Statement that the operators are trained in the use of the UAV

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LEGAL REFERENCE: Section 942.10, Wisconsin Statutes

CONTRACT REFERENCE:

CROSS REFERENCE:

The School District of Waupaca does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.