

SOFTWARE LICENSES

Background

There is a need to ensure that all software applications on Division owned computers are legally licensed.

Procedures

1. No software shall be copied onto or used on Division computers unless the specific license for the application has been purchased or it can be proved that the purchase of a license for the application at that site has been initiated.
2. The responsibility to ensure that only legally licensed software applications are in use lies with the principal.
3. Any fines levied against the Division for use of unlicensed software applications shall be applied directly against the budget of the school or department being fined.
4. Any software packages that do not require specific licenses (such as Shareware, Freeware, etc.) must be accompanied by supporting documentation certifying the same.
5. Service and support personnel employed by the Division shall not service equipment that includes illegally acquired software.
6. Copies of all software licenses must be kept on file by the principal or department head and included on the inventory listing.
7. The responsibility for approval of installing software on Division computers rests with the principal, in consultation with Technology Services.
8. Technology Services staff may conduct software audits as deemed necessary.

Reference: Section 85, 87, 108, 109 Education Act