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Ethicacy

Topic: Student surveillance on student devices

Speaking Notes:

- **Reasons why it can be helpful:**

    - Keeps distractible students on track (discretely)

    - Can keep students off of potentially harmful websites (Specific example)

    - Prevent cheating on online assignments

    - Alert districts of potential illegal activity/ self harm of students

- **Reasons why schools put it in place:**

    - Only intended on student devices and student accounts/devices distributed by schools

    - District is responsible for preserving the integrity of their network and the devices themselves

- **Ways to make student surveillance less invasive:**

    - Only allow teachers to view student screens during their class time

    - Not allow teachers access to close tabs

    - Place more emphasis on admin intervention to computer misuse

    - Teacher contract for use as well as student contract signed by parent

- **Preception vs. Realit**y:

    - **Perception:** Teachers and districts are spying on students to see what they are searching during and outside of school hours.

    - **Reality:** Teachers want students to pay attention and don't care what students are looking just that it isn't what they are supposed to be looking at during class. Teachers only use it during class. Schools aren't constantly watching student accounts (specific keywords may trigger an alert).