

**WEST LINN-WILSONVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD POLICY**

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MICROWAVE COMMUNICATION INSTALLATIONS

It is the policy of the West Linn-Wilsonville School Board to prohibit placement of commercial microwave technology on school district owned or operated property and to oppose placement of the same on adjacent or nearby properties.

Contracts entered into prior to the implementation date of this policy will not be renewed.

Part of the core purpose of the Board is to provide a safe learning environment for students and for staff. It is the philosophy of the Board to act on the side of caution in matters of student and staff safety. There is no conclusive evidence that the installation of commercial microwave technology on or adjacent to schools is safe. Results from active research in this area are not expected to be available in the immediate future to confirm a satisfactory level of student and staff safety. Hence, through this policy the Board is adopting a cautious position toward this technology.

In addition to safety, the Board has the responsibility to steward and manage district properties in an efficient manner. Leases to entities such as commercial microwave services create a long term dedication of district property and limit the Board's options for land use and maintenance.