

Use of Unmanned Aircraft (Drones)

Henrico County Schools supports and encourages the use of innovative and emerging technologies, including unmanned aircraft or drones, to further the goals and objectives of the educational program and the interests of Henrico County Schools while understanding how the use of such technologies may impact the safety, security, and privacy of people and property. Therefore, the School Board authorizes use of unmanned aircraft on school property and at school-sponsored events in accordance with the requirements of this policy and accompanying regulation, and to the extent that such use is not otherwise prohibited by federal, state, or local law or regulation.

The use of an unmanned aircraft on school property or at a school-sponsored event for any purpose must be approved in writing by the superintendent or designee. Such use also must comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including the most current registration, certification, permit, safety, and other requirements established by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). This policy applies to all students, school system employees, contractors and vendors, school visitors, and other members of the general public on school property and at school-sponsored events.

Reference: Regulation R6-12-014 REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT (DRONES)