



Social Media Policy

The Protecting Georgia's Children on Social Media Act of 2024 (SB 351) aims to address online safety for minors and requires public schools to implement technology protection measures. Utopian Academy for the Arts is committed to the safety of its students in the use of technology and social media. To this end, UAFA uses software programs, online servers, and other technology reasonably designed to block and monitor access to social media platforms. All students shall be prohibited from using the school's network, equipment, or devices to access social media platforms, except as expressly permitted by and under the supervision of school personnel during the course of a school related activity and for the sole purpose of accessing and utilizing age-appropriate educational resources.

Students who violate this policy may have their access to the school's network and devices revoked and/or may be subject to disciplinary action.

A parent may submit a written request to the principal for additional information from school personnel about what social media platforms have been or are intended to be accessed for educational purposes. Additionally, a parent may submit a written notice to the principal requesting that their child be prohibited from accessing one or more specified social media sites. This notice will remain in effect until the end of the school year of submission or upon receipt of written revocation by the parent, whichever occurs first.

In accordance with OCGA §50-29-21, the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency has identified certain social media sites as owned by or under the influence of a foreign adversary. As of July 2025, the following identified sites are strictly prohibited from being installed, used, or visited on school equipment at all times:

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| • Alibaba | • TamTam | • Yandex |
| • DeepSeek | • Telegram | • Youdao |
| • Dialog M | • Temu | • Youku Tudou |
| • Irib | • Tiger Brokers | • Zhihu |
| • Kwangmyong | • TikTok | |
| • Lemon8 | (Douyin) | |
| • Moomoo | • Toutiao | |
| • Odnoklassniki | • V Kontakte | |
| • QQ (TenCent) | • Webull | |
| • QZone | • WeChat | |
| • RedNote | (Weixin) | |
| • Renren | • Weibo | |
| • Sina Weibo | • Xisohongshu | |



The current and updated list of banned platforms is available on the [GEMA/HS website](#).

Authority:

OCGA §20-2-324	Internet Acceptable-Use Policies Required in All Public Schools
OCGA §20-2-324.7	Social Media Policies required in All Public Schools
OCGA §50-29-21	Prohibition on installation, use, or visiting of social media platforms on state electronic devices