Personal Privacy

Discussion Topics

Within your assigned groups discuss the following

1. Webcams have been installed in many public schools and universities around the nation. The purpose is to deter criminal activity and misbehavior among students. With this technology school officials can view classrooms at any time. Is there a potential for misusing this technology? Do the benefits outweigh privacy concerns? Should the use of webcams in school be made a law?

2. Personal computers and other electronic devices are essential in today’s workplaces. Very often employees use computers for personal business, while employers use the same technology to monitor employees and test their productivity. Do you believe that monitoring employees help to measure and increase their productivity? Do employers have a “right” to monitor employees, because there are paying them a salary?