

**Greater Albany SD 8J  
Board Policy**

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### **Animals in District Facilities**

Animals are generally prohibited on district property.

However, permission may be obtained from the principal before animals are brought into the school for specified educational purposes. Parents or guardians<sup>1</sup>, will be notified prior to animals being allowed on school property, and given the opportunity to request that their student not handle animals. Animals must be adequately cared for and appropriately secured. Only the teacher or students designated by the teacher are to handle the animals.

If animals are to be kept in the classroom on days when classes are not in session, arrangements must be made for their care.

Any unanticipated costs associated with the animal's presence on school property will be the responsibility of the animal's owner (i.e., flea treatments, false alarms, medical bills). Animals on school property shall have received appropriate immunizations.

Animals may not be transported on a school bus or in any district vehicle.

Animals serving the disabled, or in training to serve the disabled, shall be an exception to this policy.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 336.067](#)

[ORS 346.620](#)

[OAR 581-053-0010](#)

[OAR 581-053-0015](#)

[OAR 581-053-0545\(4\)\(c\)\(V\)](#)

[OAR 581-053-0550\(5\)\(u\)](#)

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 104 Stat. 327, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq. (2006).  
28 CFR §§ 35.104, 35.136 (2006).

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<sup>1</sup>As used in this policy, the term parent includes legal guardian or person in a parental relationship. The status and duties of a legal guardian are defined in ORS 125.005 (4) and 125.300 - 125.325. The determination of whether an individual is acting in a parental relationship, for purposes of determining residency depends on evaluation of those factors and a power of attorney executed pursuant to ORS 109.056. For special education students, parent also includes a surrogate parent, and adult student to whom rights have transferred and foster parent as defined in OAR 581-015-0005 (18).