

Weapons in Schools

It is prohibited for employees of the district to possess weapons in violation of local, state and federal laws. The district reserves those restrictions on weapons provided to the district by law.

For purposes of this administrative rule, and as defined by state and federal law, weapon includes:

1. “Dangerous weapon” - any weapon, device, instrument, material or substance, which under the circumstances in which it is used, attempted to be used or threatened to be used is readily capable of causing death or serious physical injury;
2. “Deadly weapon” - any instrument, article or substance specifically designed for and presently capable of causing death or serious physical injury;
3. “Firearm” - any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive, frame or receiver of any such weapon, any firearm silencer or any other destructive device including any explosive, incendiary or poisonous gas.

The superintendent will ensure notice of this administrative rule is provided.

Implementation Guidelines:

1. The district will post “Weapons Free Zone” at every site controlled by the district. District events held in the community will be appropriately posted when an event occurs at the site.
2. Employees and district contractors and/or their employees shall not possess a dangerous or deadly weapon or firearm on district property or at school-sponsored events except by permission from the Principal or in the performance of official duty (School Resource Officer).
3. The superintendent or designee may authorize employees to possess weapons for courses, programs and activities approved by the district and conducted on district property including, but not limited to, track and field, hunter safety courses, weapons-related vocational courses or weapons-related sports. Appropriate secure storage is required.
4. District contractors or their employees will be asked to remove their firearm(s) on district property. Individuals contracting with the district will be subject to appropriate sanctions.
5. Search and seizure is not the intended purpose of this administrative rule. If police feel they have sufficient cause they will perform such activities as required and/or permitted by law.