

Weapons on District Property

Students may use or possess, under adult/staff supervision, tools that are knives or that have a small blade which is part of the design and that are used in school for school-sanctioned activities (e.g., kitchen/cooking programs, science programs, vocational and technical programs and other related activities).

In specific cases, with prior and specific authorization from, and under the supervision of, a district administrator, students may bring weapons to school that are of a historical nature.

A student who inadvertently, as determined by a district administrator, brings a pocket knife, pen knife, other small knife/tool article to school, or other weapon-like prohibited items, will on the first offense be given a warning. The parents will be notified, the item confiscated and the incident recorded in the student's record file. A second offense of this nature by the student will result in disciplinary proceedings.

Staff and contractors who, by nature of their work while on the school property, require the use of tools with blades, may possess and use such tools.

Schools will notify the student services office if a weapon is suspected to be on campus. Students suspected of, or found in, possession of a weapon, as defined in Board policy JFCJ - Weapons in the Schools, shall be investigated by school/district administration and/or local law enforcement. The student's intent will be taken into consideration. If an investigation determines a student has violated Board policy JFCJ the following shall take place:

1. The parent/guardian, law enforcement and the student services office shall be notified;
2. The student will be suspended pending an expulsion hearing;
3. A volatility screening will be administered prior to an expulsion hearing;
4. An expulsion hearing will be held and the student will be expelled for a period of not more than one calendar year.

Special education students shall be disciplined in accordance with federal law and Board policy JGDA/JGEA – Discipline of Students with Disabilities, and accompanying administrative regulation.