

WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PREMISES

No person shall possess, conceal store or use a weapon or look-alike weapon in school buildings and other buildings owned, occupied or controlled by the District, on school premises, in school-provided transportation, and at activities under school supervision, except where state law prohibits a District from restricting an individual's right to possess a firearm or other dangerous weapon in such locations.

A dangerous weapon is defined in state law and includes a firearm, whether loaded or unloaded, and any other object which, by the manner in which it is used or intended to be used, can cause bodily injury or property damage. A look-alike weapon may also be considered as a weapon under this policy if it is used, possessed, concealed or stored in a manner that is intended to alarm, intimidate or threaten another person.

The following are exceptions to the policy prohibition:

- This prohibition does not apply where state law prohibits a District from restricting any individual's right to possess a firearm or other weapon in a location covered by this policy (e.g., law enforcement officers possessing a firearm or other weapon on school grounds in the line of duty; individuals 21 years of age or older licensed to carry a concealed weapon possessing or storing an authorized handgun that is unloaded and encased in their motor vehicle parked on school grounds).
- The building principal may allow a weapon on school premises for purposes of demonstration, educational presentations or theatrical performances. This approval must be in writing and granted prior to the weapon being brought to the school. The weapon shall be maintained in the possession of the principal except during the actual demonstration, presentation or performance when the weapon shall be used only under adult supervision.
- Starter pistols used at appropriate athletic events by authorized adults.
- Firearms or other weapons that are properly registered and handled during community use of school facilities, but only during non-school hours and after approval, in writing, from the district administrator. The person(s) conducting the community activity or class shall assume responsibility for the safe handling and care of the weapons, and see to it that all weapons are removed from the premises promptly after the activity or class.
- Firearms used in conjunction with the Parkview High School trap shooting team. The firearms used by members of the team and the coaches must be locked and unloaded while on school premises. These weapons cannot be brought into the school building(s) or transported in school owned or leased vehicles without the written permission of the building principal or District Administrator. All team practices and competitions must be held at a registered gun club under the supervision of the team's coaching staff

When implementing this policy, administrators and other employees should be aware that state-issued licenses permitting certain private individuals to lawfully carry a handgun or other designated weapons in various public places generally do not permit the possession, carrying or use of such weapons in schools or on school premises.

Law enforcement officials shall be contacted to help deal with a weapons situation which presents an immediate threat to safety. If the situation does not allow an opportunity to contact law enforcement officials immediately, staff shall attempt to diffuse and control the situation in the safest manner possible until law enforcement officials can be summoned.

The parents/guardians of students who violate this policy shall be notified in all cases. Student violators shall be suspended from school, and referred to local law enforcement officials for prosecution under state criminal laws. Based on the nature of the violation a student may be referred to the Board for expulsion.

A student who possesses a firearm while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority shall be expelled from school for not less than one year as required by state and federal law. The Board may modify this expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis.

Employees violating this policy shall be disciplined in accordance with employee agreements, if applicable, employee handbooks and Board policy. Employee violators shall be referred to law enforcement officials for prosecution under applicable state laws and/or local ordinances.

Any other person violating this policy shall be referred to law enforcement officials for prosecution under applicable state laws and/or local ordinances.

This policy shall be published annually in student and employee handbooks and through other means appropriate to notify the public as required by law or determined by the administration.

LEGAL REF.: 118.07 - Wisconsin Statutes
118.31- Wisconsin Statutes
120.13(1) - Wisconsin Statutes
175.60 - Wisconsin Statutes
922.39(10) - Wisconsin Statutes
939.22(10) - Wisconsin Statutes
941.23 - Wisconsin Statutes
941.235 - Wisconsin Statutes
943.13 - Wisconsin Statutes
948.60 - 948.61 - Wisconsin Statutes
Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994
18 U.S.C. Sec. 921(a)
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (as amended)

CROSS REF.: 411 - Equal Educational Opportunities
443 - Student Conduct
445 - Student Interviews with Outside Agency Personnel
446 - Student Searches
447 - Student Discipline
447.1 - Corporal Punishment/Use of Physical Force
447.3 - Student Suspension/Expulsion
511 - Equal Opportunity Employment

532 - Professional Staff Conduct
546.2 - Suspension or Dismissal of Support Staff
720 - School Safety Program
830 - Use of School Facilities and Equipment
860 - Visitors to the Schools
School Safety Plans
Current Employee Agreements/Handbooks

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