

Book Policy Manual

Section FOR BOARD REVIEW

Title Copy of WEAPONS

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5772 - **WEAPONS**

The Board prohibits students from possessing, storing, making, or using a weapon in any setting that is under the control and supervision of the District for the purpose of school activities approved and authorized by the District including, but not limited to, property leased, owned, or contracted for by the District, a school-sponsored event, or in a District vehicle, to the extent permitted by law.

The term "weapon" means any object which, in the manner in which it is used, is intended to be used, or is represented, is capable of inflicting serious bodily harm or property damage, as well as endangering the health and safety of persons. Weapons include, but are not limited to, firearms (including, but not limited to, firearms as defined in 18 U.S.C. 921(a)(3)), guns of any type whatsoever, including air and gas-powered guns (whether loaded or unloaded), look-alike weapons, knives; (subject to the exceptions below), razors, with unguarded blades, clubs, electric weapons, metallic knuckles, martial arts weapons, chemical agents, "look alike" weapons, ammunition, and explosives.

The District Administrator is authorized to establish instructional programs on weapons and reporting and dealing with violations of this policy. The District Administrator will refer any student who violates this policy to the student's parents and may also make a referral to the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system. The student may also be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion.

Policy exceptions include:

- A. weapons under the control of law enforcement personnel;
- B. items pre-approved by the building principal or District Administrator as part of a class or individual presentation under adult supervision, including, but not limited to hunters' education courses, if used for the purpose and in the manner approved (working firearms and live ammunition will never be approved); and
- C. theatrical props used in appropriate settings.

Any student who has reason to believe that a person has or will violate this policy shall report to the District Administrator or the supervisor of the activity immediately. The report should include as much detail as possible concerning the person(s) involved, the weapon, the location of the person(s), and how this information was obtained.

No student is to confront the person possessing the weapon, but a staff member has the option of confronting the person if the staff member believes the risk of injury to self or others is minimal or if immediate action is necessary to prevent injury to any person.

This policy will be published annually in all District student and staff handbooks. Publication is not a precondition to enforcement of this policy.

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