

WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Weapons are not permitted in school buildings, on school property, in school vehicles or at school sponsored activities. This policy applies to students and members of the public alike. Student violations of this policy will result in both school disciplinary action and notification of local law enforcement authorities. Members of the public who violate this policy may be reported to local law enforcement authorities, if possession of the weapon is used in a threatening, harassing or intimidating manner.

Guns & Firearms – Students:

Any student who brings or possesses is determined to have brought a firearm (as defined by 18 U.S.C. §921) to school will be expelled for not less than one year (365 days). This expulsion may be modified by the Superintendent upon review of the specific case in accordance with other applicable law.

Pursuant to the provisions of 20 U.S.C. §7151, Gun-Free Schools Act, the Board requires the Superintendent to contact local law enforcement authorities and/or the Division of Children and Youth Services and notify them of any student who brings a firearm or weapon on school property.

Weapons under control of law enforcement personnel are permitted.

All students will receive written notice of this policy at least once each year.

Other Weapons:

For the purposes of this policy “weapon” includes but is not limited to; firearms (rifles, pistols, revolvers, pellet guns, BB guns, etc.), knives, sling shots, metallic knuckles, firecrackers, billies, knives, explosives, incendiaries, electric defense weapons (as defined in RSA 159:20), aerosol self-defense spray weapons (as defined in RSA 159:20), and martial arts weapons or self-defense weapons (as defined in RSA 159:24).

“Weapon” is further defined as any device, instrument, material or substance, which is used, attempted to be used, or threatened to be used, is readily capable of causing death or serious physical injury.

The Superintendent or other building administrator may exercise his/her best judgment in determining the scope of this policy as it relates to inadvertent or unintentional violations of this policy by adults, provided such inadvertent or unintentional violation of this policy does not affect the safety of students, school staff, or the public.

Legal References:

18 U.S.C. §921m ET seq., Firearms

20 U.S.C. §7151, Gun-Free Schools Act
RSA 193:11, Disturbance

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