

DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN THE SCHOOL

Students are prohibited from bringing dangerous and/or illegal weapons to school or school-sponsored activities. The building principal shall pursue appropriate disciplinary and/or legal action.

A dangerous and/or deadly weapon is defined as any firearm, knife or device, instrument, material, or substance, whether animate or inanimate, which is calculated or designed to inflict death or serious bodily harm, or any object that can reasonably be considered to be a weapon. Look-alike weapons, which are items that resemble or appear to be weapons, also are prohibited.

No firearms are permitted on any school premises, in a school vehicle or any vehicle used for school purposes, or in any school building or other building or premises used for school functions. Exceptions would include weapons under the control of law enforcement personnel, starting guns while in use at athletic events, supervised school training sessions for the use of firearms, weapons used in educational demonstrations, and look-alike weapons in an approved school performance.

The board may expel a student who has intentionally brought a weapon onto school premises for a period of twelve months after appropriate due process procedures have been followed. The superintendent may modify a weapon-related expulsion on a case-by-case basis.

For the purpose of this portion of this policy, the term “firearm” includes any weapon which is designed to expel a projectile by action of an explosive, the frame or receiver of any such weapon, a muffler or silencer for a weapon, or any explosive, including any poison gas.