



INSTRUCTION

Animals as Part of the Instructional Program

The Enumclaw School District recognizes that the presence of animals at school can provide a valuable learning experience. In order to ensure our schools are safe and comfortable for all inhabitants, ESD has developed the following requirements regarding animals in and on school grounds.

Requests to include animals in the instructional program of the classroom or school shall be approved by the principal. Health issues (allergies, vaccinated status of the animal) involving students and staff shall be addressed before permission is given to allow the animal in the school.

If the instructional program involving the animal is ongoing and the animal will remain at school when school is not in session, appropriate arrangements for the animal's care must be made.

Animals shall not be transported in a school vehicle unless as part of a recognized program such as guide dog training.

Animals that are part of the instructional program shall be under control of their adult-owner or the teacher at all times.

The use of service animals is not subject to the restrictions. Restricting the presence of service animals on campus is subject only to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, its regulations, and corresponding provisions of State law.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures for permission to include animals in schools in order to ensure the safety of students.

Management Resources: Policy News. February 2002, Animals as Part of the Instructional Program

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