



Billings Public Schools  
Student/Parent/ Principal Agreement  
For Eliminating Guns and Other Weapons from Schools

While the elimination of guns and weapons from schools is the responsibility of all segments of the school and society, these individuals have especially crucial responsibility: the student, parent, and the principal. This agreement draws attention to the specific responsibilities of those three individuals.

**WE AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITMENTS:**

**STUDENT**

- I agree not to bring or have in my possession any weapon or gun on school property or at any school event.
- I will tell my peers to see adult assistance when conflict situations begin to get out of control.
- I will not carry another person's gun or weapon while on school property.
- If I see a gun or other weapon on campus or at a school event, I will immediately alert an administrator, counselor, teacher or other school resource officer about its existence. Every effort will be made to maintain confidentiality.

**PARENT/GUARDIAN**

- I will teach my children, including by personal example, about the dangers and consequences of guns and weapons use, and I will keep any guns and all weapons I own safely away from my children.
- I will support the school's policies to eliminate guns and weapons on school property and work with the school in developing programs to prevent violence.
- I will carry out my responsibility to teach my children how to settle arguments without resorting to violence, to encourage him/her to use those ideas when necessary and to follow school guidelines for reporting guns and weapons they see to an appropriate adult.
- I understand that the violation of school board guidelines and procedures by my child, will result in suspension/expulsion proceedings.

**PRINCIPAL**

- I will support Community Crime Stoppers to ensure that students and parents have a anonymous way to report to an adult any guns or other weapons they see on campus.
- I will promote conflict resolution instruction for all students as part of the curriculum.
- I will communicate the school's policies on guns and weapons to all participants in the school community and focus upon the responsibilities we all have.
- I will use the schools' student leadership groups and student meetings to obtain ideas to develop a safe school environment.
- I will report all guns and other weapons violations to law enforcement officials, according to established procedures.
- Following school board guidelines and procedures, I will initiate suspension/expulsion proceedings against any student who violates this contract.