HAMPTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYEES

TITLE: WEAPONS

ADOPTED: April 28, 2004

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317.1. WEAPONS

1. Purpose	The Board recognizes that the possession of weapons on school property is a criminal offense in the Commonwealth. The district also recognizes that the use of weapons has become a serious problem in schools and in society. Weapons in the schools present serious legal, safety and welfare problems to the school community. As an educational institution, the district will strive to prevent the presence of weapons in the schools. However, when weapons are found in the schools, the district will intervene to remove the weapons and prosecute those individuals responsible for handling the weapon.
2. Authority Pol. 218.1	School personnel will be instructed in accordance with law and Board policy regarding weapons on school property. Also, personnel will be instructed regarding the handling of situations involving weapons.
SC 1317.2 Pol. 317	Possessing, handling or transmitting weapons on school grounds, in school buildings or on school transportation is prohibited by law. Possession of a weapon on school grounds, including lockers or vehicles, at school-sponsored activities, or on buses, vans or other vehicles provided by the district, under any circumstances, is prohibited without prior Board authorization. Local law enforcement will confiscate the weapon and may file criminal charges, as appropriate. The Superintendent will be notified and may discipline the employee, as appropriate under the circumstances.