Board Policy G-11: Violence Prevention

REFERENCES

Utah Code Ann. §53-5-710(2), Cross-references to concealed firearm permit restrictions [for provisional concealed firearm permit holders]
Utah Code Ann. §76-10-505.5, Possession of a dangerous weapon, firearm, or short barreled shotgun on or about school premises
Utah Admin. Code R277-217, Educator Standards and LEA Reporting
Utah Admin. Code R277-400, School Emergency Response Plans
Utah Admin. Code R477-15, Workplace Harassment Prevention
Board Policy C-2: Visitors to the School
Board Policy G-20: Bullying, Cyber-bullying, Hazing, and Harassment Prohibited
Board Policy P-7: Searches and Inspections
Board Policy S-3: Student Conduct and Discipline

THE POLICY

The Salt Lake City School District Board of Education is committed to providing workplace and learning environments that are free from all acts or threats of violence. Therefore, the district has a zero-tolerance policy toward all types of violence, including threats of violence. In the district setting, violence includes any act or threat of physical assault, harassment, intimidation, verbal abuse, or other threatening behavior that occurs on district property. Individuals are also prohibited from bringing any and all weapons onto district property unless authorized to do so by law. This policy applies to all students, employees, contractors, visitors, and volunteers on district property or at any school or district-sponsored activity.

Employees and students are responsible for helping to maintain a violence-free district by governing themselves accordingly during school and business hours, work events, and school-sponsored activities. Except in the event of an imminent threat to a person’s health or safety, individuals experiencing or witnessing any act or threat of violence are asked to report such act or threat to their immediate supervisor, a principal or building administrator, or a Human Resource Services department employee. In emergency situations, law enforcement should be contacted prior to making a district report. Each district report will be investigated and appropriate action will be taken.

Employees violating this policy are subject to discipline up to and including termination; student violations will be handled in accordance with the board’s student conduct and discipline policy. A violation of this policy by any individual who is not a student or employee of the district may result in removal from the premises, law enforcement being contacted, and any other appropriate action.

The purpose of this policy is to make clear that violent action on district property or in any district environment will not be tolerated and will be responded to promptly and effectively.