

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Regulation of Dangerous Weapons on School Premises

WEAPONS POLICY EXCEPTIONS

It is a violation of district policy and may be a violation of state law for any person to carry a firearm or dangerous weapon on school premises, school-provided transportation or areas of other facilities while being used exclusively by the district except as provided below.

The following adults (who are not students) who are:

1. Persons engaged in military, law enforcement, or school district security activities;
2. A federal, state or local law enforcement officer.

The following persons over eighteen years of age and not enrolled as students may have firearms in their possession on school property outside of school buildings:

3. Persons with concealed weapons permits issued pursuant to RCW 9.41.070 who are picking up or dropping off students; and
4. Persons conducting legitimate business at the school and in lawful possession of a firearm or dangerous weapon if the weapon is secured within an attended vehicle, is unloaded and secured in a vehicle, or is concealed from view in a locked, unattended vehicle.
5. Other adults under such specific circumstances as the superintendent or assistant superintendent may designate in advance.

Persons between fourteen and eighteen years of age with written parental or guardian permission and persons over eighteen years of age may possess personal protection spray devices on school property. Any student regularly in possession of a personal protection spray device during school hours shall file notice of such possession with the building principal. Personal protection spray devices may not be used other than in self-defense.

Firearms, dangerous weapons and weapons are defined under District Policy 3314. Consequences of violation of the weapon policy are set forth in District Policy Regulation 3314.

The superintendent is directed to see that all school facilities post “Gun-Free Zone” signs, and that all violations of this policy and RCW 9.41.280 are reported annually to the superintendent of Public Instruction.

Cross References:	Board Policy 3314	Student Exceptional Misconduct
Legal References:	RCW 9.41.280 RCW 9A.16.020 RCW 9.91.160 RCW 28A.600.420	Dangerous weapons on school facilities Use of force — when lawful Personal Protection Spray devices Firearms on school premises, transportation, or facilities — Penalty — Exemptions

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