PERSONAL SEARCHES

The principal, or another member of the administrative staff designated in writing by the principal and acting at the direction of the principal, may search the person of a student during a school activity if the principal has reasonable suspicion for such a search of that student. Searches of the person of a student shall be limited to:

- 1. any object in the possession of the student such as a purse or briefcase, and/or
- 2. a "pat down" of the exterior of the students' clothing including the search of or emptying of pockets.

In the event that said search reveals contraband or evidence of violation of the school rules, there may be a reasonable extension of said search of the person of the student based upon reasonable suspicion.

Searches of the person of a student shall be conducted in a private room by an administrator or person designated by the administrator of the same sex as the student being searched. At least one but not more than three additional administrators and/or persons designated by the administrator of the same sex as the student being searched shall witness but not participate in the search. The parent or guardian of any student searched shall be notified of the search as soon as reasonably possible.

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