

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: March 28, 2024
TOPIC: #8.2 –Approval of Proposed Updates to Policies
PRESENTER: Julie Nielsen, Superintendent
REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE: Policy 208

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a. The following policies have been reviewed and revised to reflect updates in Minnesota Statute, definition of terms, legal references, and cross references.
- b. Board Policy Committee members reviewed the policies and made recommendations for board information and subsequent action.
- c. Polices were reviewed at the March 14, 2024 Workshop meeting.
- d. Current policies are located online at <https://www.sowashco.org/about-us/school-board/school-board-policies>
- e. The suggested changes are listed below.

213 School Board Committees	Updated District Committees and removed procedures.
417 Chemical Use & Abuse	Changes reflect updates in MSBA Model Policy language. Removal of procedural language.
501 School Weapons	Changes to definition, instructional use, MDE reporting & legal references to reflect updates in MSBA model policy.
502 Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions & Person	No proposed changes.
503 Student Attendance	No proposed changes.
507.1 Chemical Use & Abuse	Recommend removal of policy. Replace with Policy 417.
510 Student Activities	No proposed changes.
511 Student Fundraising	No proposed changes.
523 Memorials of Deceased Staff & Students	Updates to Memorials & Granting Permission.



528 Student Parental Family & Marital Status Nondiscrimination	Updates to legal references.
531 Pledge of Allegiance	Language update on designees.

B. RECOMMENDATION

a. Approval

C. CONNECTION TO STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Student Experience, Mastery of Learning and Expectations, Student Pathways and Systemic Supports, Operations, Staffing, and Finance and Engagement and Partnerships

