

Giles County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in March	Descriptor Term: <h2 style="text-align: center;">Zero Tolerance Offenses</h2>	Descriptor Code: <h3 style="text-align: center;">6.309</h3>	Issued Date: <h3 style="text-align: center;">10/01/20</h3>
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1 In order to ensure a safe and secure learning environment, the following offenses shall not be
 2 tolerated:¹

- 3 1. Bringing to school or being in unauthorized possession of a firearm on school property;²
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- 5 2. Unlawful possession of any drug, including any controlled substance, controlled substance
 6 analogue, or legend drug on school grounds or at a school-sponsored event;³
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- 8 3. Aggravated assault;⁴ or
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- 10 4. Assault that results in bodily injury⁵ upon any teacher, principal, administrator, any other
 11 employee of the school, or school resource officer.

12 Committing any of these offenses shall result in a student being expelled from the regular school
 13 program for at least one (1) calendar year unless modified by the Director of Schools. Modification of
 14 the length of time shall be granted on a case-by-case basis. Students that commit zero tolerance
 15 offenses may be assigned to an alternative school or program at the discretion of the Director of
 16 Schools.⁶

17 When it is determined that a student has violated this policy, the principal shall notify the student's
 18 parent(s)/guardian(s) and the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system as required by law.⁷

Legal References

1. TCA 49-6-3401(g)
2. 18 USCA § 921(a)(3); 20 USCA § 7961
3. TCA 39-17-454; TCA 53-10-101
4. TCA 39-13-102
5. TCA 39-13-101(a)(1)
6. TCA 49-6-3401(g)(2); TCA 49-6-3402; Public Acts of 2020, Chapter No. 603
7. TCA 49-6-4209; TCA 39-17-1312; 20 USCA § 7961(h)(1)

Cross References

- Code of Conduct 6.300
- Drug-Free Schools 6.307
- Suspension 6.316
- Student Disciplinary Hearing Authority 6.317
- Alternative Education 6.319