

443.6 - USE OR POSSESSION OF WEAPONS

No one shall possess, use or store a weapon or look-alike weapon in or on school property, school vehicles, or at school-related activities. A dangerous weapon, which is defined in state statutes, or a look-alike weapon may include any object which, by the manner in which it is used or intended to be used, is capable of inflicting harm or could pretend to be capable of inflicting bodily harm or endangering the health and safety of students or staff. Ammunition and explosives are included within the weapons category.

Exceptions include:

1. Weapons under control of law enforcement personnel.
2. Weapons properly registered and handled during community use of school facilities.
3. Theatrical props used in appropriate settings.
4. Starter pistols used in appropriate sporting events.
5. Items pre-approved by the building principal as part of a class or individual presentation under adult supervision.

(Firearms together with ammunition will never be approved as part of a presentation.)

Weapons or look-alike weapons confiscated from a student shall be reported to parents/guardians and to law enforcement officials. Disciplinary measures shall include immediate suspension and referral to the School Board for expulsion from school according to the Gun Free Schools Act.

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