

Instruction

Live Animals in the Classroom

No person shall bring any live animal, whether pet or wild, to any classroom without prior consent of the teacher and the Principal, in order to protect both the animal and the students.

Teachers may bring and maintain goldfish or tropical fish in suitable bowls or tanks, but turtles, birds, snakes, or other animals shall not be allowed without the approval of the Principal.

Science teachers with the approval of the building Principal may have animals such as rats, mice and frogs in appropriate facilities in or adjacent to laboratories for the purpose of class study and experimentation, provided that the utmost care is taken to prevent accident and/or suffering to the animals.

Students, staff and/or visitors in need of service animals will be allowed to bring their animals into the buildings in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Board of Education Policy.

Legal References: Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
 Policy 6163.32 – Service Animals in Schools

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