



Administrative Regulations

South San Antonio Independent School District

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Firearms on School Property - 2023	

FIREARMS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY AND AT SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

In accordance with law and policy, firearms are prohibited on District premises, in District passenger vehicles, and at any location where school-sponsored activities are being conducted. This prohibition extends to outdoor locations where school-sponsored activities are being conducted as well as off campus locations temporarily under the control or supervision of school officials for purposes of conducting school activities. However, in accordance with law, the District will not prohibit a Texas handgun license holder from storing a handgun or other firearm in a locked vehicle in a parking lot, parking garage, or other parking area owned or provided by the District, if the handgun or other firearm is not loaded and not in plain view.

DETERMINATION OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Campus principals may determine for each campus the times and locations, including parking lots and sidewalks, when outdoor areas of school property are used to conduct school-sponsored activities. School-sponsored activities may include, but are not limited to:

[Adjust the list of school-sponsored activities below to match District practice.]

- Extracurricular practices and competitions;
- Instructional activities;
- Recess and lunch;
- Student club activities;
- Student pick up and drop off;
- School bus loading and unloading; and
- Festivals.

VERIFICATION OF IDENTITY AND PURPOSE FOR VISIT

AUTHORITY OF SCHOOL OFFICIALS

School officials and their designees are authorized to approach visitors at any time to confirm their purpose for visiting school property. In accordance with law and policy, visitors may be asked to show identification



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and follow appropriate check-in procedures while on District property. If an individual is uncooperative, the school official may seek the assistance of law enforcement as needed.

AUTHORITY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

In accordance with state law, a law enforcement officer is authorized to inspect the handgun license of an individual who is carrying a handgun at any time the peace officer is verifying the individual's identification.

TRESPASS

Persons having no lawful purpose on school property are considered trespassing and may be ejected.

EJECTION FROM OR REFUSAL OF ENTRY TO PROPERTY

A visitor may be refused entry or asked to leave property under the District's control by an administrator, a school resource officer, or District peace officer if the person:

1. Poses a substantial risk of harm to any person, or
2. Behaves in a manner that is inappropriate for a school setting, and
 - a) The administrator, school resource officer, or District police officer issues a verbal warning to the person that the person's behavior is inappropriate and may result in the person's refusal of entry or ejection, and
 - b) The person persists in that behavior. See GKA(EXHIBIT) for verbal warnings required by law and appeals processes.

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