

Williamsburg Community
School District

Policy Guide

SECTION: **PROPERTY**

TITLE: **Non-Invasive Security Searches**

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705(a) Non-Invasive Security Searches

The Board acknowledges the need to protect all students. To protect and maintain the proper educational environment, to help protect the safety of students and to support the District's policy prohibiting students from bringing weapons onto school property, periodic non-invasive security searches are authorized and may be undertaken.

At the direction of the principal, any authorized state or local police agency may be enlisted to conduct periodic, non-invasive security searches.

When said police agency conducts these security searches, the agency shall use a metal detector or some other similar device, which is passed over a student's outer clothing resulting in minimal intrusion.

Backpacks, book bags and other containers may be subject to the non-invasive security search, as well as any other actual physical search as authorized by law.

These security searches may be conducted on a random basis at the request of the principal.

The District has adopted a policy prohibiting students from possessing weapons on school property.

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court has upheld enforcing a policy prohibiting weapons on school property through the use of non-invasive security searches, including, but not limited to, the use of metal detectors.