

WEAPONS PROHIBITION ON SCHOOL PROPERTY—PUBLIC

Definitions

This policy defines the following:

- *Dangerous weapon* as defined by NDCC 62.1-01-01(1).
- *Firearm* as defined by 18 U.S.C. 921 and NDCC 62.1-01-01(3).
- *School property* is defined in NDCC 15.1-19-10 (6)(b) as all land within the perimeter of the school site and all school buildings, structures, facilities, and school vehicles, whether owned or leased by a school district, and the site of any school-sponsored event or activity.

Prohibitions

Parents and members of the public are prohibited from possessing on school property a firearm, dangerous weapon, or any object that is used, attempted to be used, or threatened to be used to intimidate or cause bodily harm, including those individuals who may otherwise be permitted by law to carry such weapons. This prohibition does not apply to firearms or dangerous weapons under the control of law enforcement personnel, including the school resource officer, or other authorized individuals on school property as permitted by law.

Exceptions

The prohibitions in this policy do not apply when the Superintendent has authorized the following:

1. Use of a blank firearm cartridge or look alike weapon in a sporting, memorial, or theatrical event.
2. Participation in educational, training, cultural, or competitive events that requires use of a firearm or dangerous weapon.
3. For purposes of a hunter's safety course.
4. Firearms or dangerous weapons stored in residences of individuals living in district-owned housing as authorized by the District¹.

Notification

The Superintendent will ensure parents and members of the public are notified of this policy using methods deemed most efficient.

Firearms and/or Dangerous Weapons Stored in Vehicles

Members of the public are prohibited from possessing firearms and/or dangerous weapons in their vehicles while on school property, except as permitted by law. Authorized individuals must ensure that all firearms are secured in or on their vehicle while on school property.

Enforcement

When a school employee observes a violation of this policy, they shall promptly inform administration. The Superintendent or designee will ask the violator to remove the firearm or dangerous weapon from school property. If the violator refuses or in emergency situations, the school employee shall follow applicable emergency response protocols.

Complementing Policy

- DE, Staff Code of Conduct

[1] See NDCC 62.1-02-05 for more detailed information regarding exceptions to the possession of firearms or dangerous weapons at school or other school-sponsored events.

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