

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY 5309

USE OF CANINE SCANS and DRUG DETECTION DOGS

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to grant permission to the Milford Police Department and/or Delaware State Police to use drug detection canines to conduct canine scans of Milford School District property.

NOTIFICATION TO STUDENTS

Students shall be notified of the school district's intent to use drug detection canines. The following notice shall be placed in the Milford School District Code of Conduct Policy 5404: Additionally, in an effort to maintain a safe school environment, any and all Law Enforcement entities in our jurisdiction and Milford School District Administration will periodically conduct safety scans inside of Milford School District buildings. These scans may involve the use of trained K9 officers.

PROCEDURES

The Superintendent may authorize a canine scan of Milford School District property when the Superintendent reasonably suspects prohibited contraband is present in the school environment. The Superintendent may consult with the Supervisor of School Climate and Safety and PIO regarding the decision to conduct a canine scan. The search by the Milford and/or State Police is to be unannounced to students or staff. The Milford and/or State Police may use the drug detection canines anywhere on school property. An administrator shall accompany the police. A District level debriefing will occur with all involved parties within three days of the canine scan.

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