



POLICY: Gun Free School

Approve by Governing Council: 2/1/23

Pursuant to *30-7-2.1 NMSA 1978*, it is unlawful to carry a firearm on Siembra premises.

A. Unlawful carrying of a firearm on school premises is unlawful except by:

- a police officer
- school security personnel
- a student/instructor or other school-authorized personnel engaged in army, navy, marine corps or air force reserve officer training corps programs or state-authorized hunter safety training instruction
- a person conducting or participating in a school-approved program, class or other activity involving the carrying of a firearm

B. As used in this section, "school premises" means:

- (1) the buildings and grounds, including playgrounds, playing fields and parking areas and any school bus of Siembra in or on which school or school-related activities are being operated under the supervision of Siembra's governing board; or
- (2) any other public buildings or grounds, including playing fields and parking areas that are not Siembra property, in or on which school-related and school-sanctioned activities are being performed.

C. Whoever commits unlawful carrying of a firearm on school premises is guilty of a fourth degree felony.

D. Additional student discipline policies; weapon-free schools. [22-5-4.7 NMSA 1978](#)

For the purposes of this section, "firearm" means:

- any weapon that is designed to, may readily be converted to, or will expel a projectile by the action of an explosion; and
- any destructive device that is an explosive or incendiary device, bomb, grenade, rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces, missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter-ounce, mine, or similar device.

E. Any Siembra students in possession of a firearm(s) shall be immediately disenrolled and may not enroll in the future semesters, as it is contrary to safe schoolwide culture.





F. Any Siembra staff found in possession of firearms shall be immediately released from their employment contracts.

G. While acknowledging an individual's constitutional rights, including applicable due process rights, the District refuses to condone acts and/or threats of violence which threaten the safety and well-being of staff, students, visitors and/or the school environment. Employees, students, agents and invitees shall refrain from engaging in threats or physical actions which create a safety hazard for others. Any person who commits an act or threatens an act of violence, including bomb threats and threats of gun violence, whether made orally, in writing, by email, or by any other electronic format, shall be subject to appropriate discipline in accordance with applicable law. Individuals may also be subject to District Policies and Code of Conduct as outlined by Siembra Leadership High School.

