

*Weapons: Possession and Use (Students)*

The use, possession or transfer of weapons by students on District property is prohibited unless the weapon has been approved by the building principal for possession in conjunction with a lawful, supervised activity or course.

For purposes of this Policy, District property means on District grounds, at school-sponsored activities or on public conveyances providing transportation to a school or school-sponsored activity.

For purposes of this Policy, the term 'weapon' shall be defined consistent with state law and shall include, but not be limited to:

1. any knife, cutting instrument, cutting tool, nunchaku, firearm, shotgun, and rifle and
2. any other tool, instrument or implement capable of inflicting serious bodily injury possessed with the intent to threaten or harm another person.

Appropriate disciplinary and or legal action will be taken against any student who possesses an unapproved weapon, or who assists possession in any way. Students possessing any unapproved weapon will be reported to the police.

Any weapon possessed by a student while on District property in violation of this Policy is subject to seizure and/or forfeiture.

The District shall notify appropriate parties of any incident on District property, on District transportation, or at a District-sponsored activity, which involves possession of a weapon, as defined in Board policy and state law.

The Superintendent will report to the Office for Safe Schools within the Pennsylvania Department of Education all incidents relating to acts of violence or unapproved possession of a weapon by any student on school property as required.

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