



Title: **Dangerous Weapons in the Schools**

Code: 816

Book: Policy Manual

Section: 800 Operations

Authority

Weapons are forbidden on school property.[\[1\]](#)

Definitions

Weapons shall include, but not be limited to, firearms, knives, metal knuckles, straight razors, explosives, noxious, irritating or poisonous gases, poisons, drugs or other items fashioned with the intent to use, sell, harm, threaten or harass students, staff members, parents and patrons.

Dangerous weapon means any weapon, device, instrument, material or substance, animate or inanimate, which under the circumstances in which it is used, attempted to be used or threatened to be used is readily capable of causing death or serious physical injury.

Guidelines

Any loaded or unloaded firearm or dangerous weapon possessed on or about a person while on district property is subject to seizure or forfeiture.

Any employee found to be in possession of or harboring an item which could be defined or thought to be dangerous or threatening to him/herself or others, on school grounds, at school sponsored

activities, or on school buses, will immediately be suspended and referred to the police.

Adopted: **July 18, 1995**

Legal References:

- [1. 24 P.S. 1317.2](#)
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