



Robertson County Schools

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Dear Robertson County Families,

We are committed to providing a safe and informed learning environment for all students. As part of this commitment, Robertson County Schools will be introducing **firearm safety instruction** in our curriculum for grades K-12.

Purpose and Reasoning

In 2024, the Tennessee General Assembly passed legislation requiring instruction of firearms safety in schools, outlined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-1016. Each year schools must provide students with age-appropriate instruction on firearm safety. The goal of this program is to educate students on the importance of responsible behavior around firearms, preventing accidents, and ensuring that students understand what to do if they encounter a firearm.

How It Will Be Taught

The lessons will focus on safety principles, emphasizing what students should and should not do in situations involving firearms. The law requires schools to:

1. Teach students:
 - a. Safe storage of firearms;
 - b. School safety relating to firearms;
 - c. How to avoid injury if the student finds a firearm;
 - d. To never touch a found firearm; and
 - e. To immediately notify an adult of the location of a found firearm;
2. Be viewpoint neutral on political topics, such as gun rights, gun violence, and the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution; and
3. Not include the use or presence of live ammunition, live fire, or live firearms.

When It Will Occur

Firearm safety instruction will take place during the upcoming school term. Specific dates and times will be communicated by your child's school in the coming weeks.

We encourage parents and guardians to reach out to your school with any questions or concerns about this program. Your partnership is essential in reinforcing these safety principles at home. More information can be found at

https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/education/standards/Firearms_Safety_2025.pdf

Thank you for supporting our efforts to keep every student safe and informed.

Sincerely,

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