

DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN SCHOOLS

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The Board recognizes that the possession of knives, pistols, firearms or other weapons on school premises or at school-related functions by persons other than duly authorized law enforcement officials creates an unreasonable and unwarranted risk of injury and/or death to district employees, students, visitors and guests. ~~and~~ Such actions further create an unreasonable and unwarranted risk of damage to properties of district employees, students, visitors and guests.

Because of such dangers, the Board hereby prohibits the possession of knives, pistols, firearms or weapons in any form by any person other than duly authorized law enforcement officials on school premises or at school-related functions, regardless of whether such person possesses a valid permit to carry such knives, pistols, firearms or weapons.

Students found to be in possession of knives, pistols, firearms or weapons on school premises or at school-related functions will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement officials and will be subject to permanent expulsion from the Tupelo Public School District for a term of not less than one calendar year.

The Board endorses the Crimestoppers program and directs that Crimestoppers information be posted at each school site.

EXHIBITS

JICDA-E1 TPSD Elementary Discipline Decision Matrix
JICDA-E2 TPSD Secondary Discipline Decision Matrix

REFERENCES

MCA §§ 37-3-84; 37-11-18; 97-37-17

FORMS

None