



Complete and submit this form, along with any supplemental documentation, to the Office of the President by 5:00pm on the seventh day prior to the Board meeting.

Date of Board Meeting: May 17, 2022

Subject:

Consideration and approval of an updated version of policy **CHF (LOCAL) Site Management: Weapons** to include Exclusion Zones as relates to campus carry.

Recommendation:

Consideration and approval of an updated version of policy **CHF (LOCAL) Site Management: Weapons** to include Exclusion Zones as relates to campus carry.

Background and Rationale:

State law provides for the establishment of specific areas of the college where the use, possession, or display of a firearm is prohibited. These areas, titled *Exclusion Zones*, include areas used for:

- patient care and counseling;
- testing centers where contractual obligations require the exclusion of firearms;
- locations where a competitive sporting event or interscholastic event is taking place, including athletic facilities;
- any location where a school district event is being held;
- any location where a grievance or disciplinary hearing is taking place;
- any location where a Board meeting is taking place;
- any location that is a polling place during early voting and/or election day; and
- any location used by a court.

Currently the college publishes the specific locations of Exclusion Zones on the college’s website and they are also referenced in the student handbook. TASB attorneys advised the college to also incorporate Exclusion Zones into existing board policy and to also include language regarding required signage. This revised policy was drafted by TASB policy consultant Scott Rizzo, Ph.D., in conjunction with the TASB attorneys.

Cost and Budgetary Support:

Strategic Priority Alignment:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Success | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Impact |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resource Optimization | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Institutional Excellence |



Resource Person(s):

Betty McCrohan, President
Danny Terronez, Chief of Security
Kay Shoppa, Legislative Assistant to the President

Signatures:

Kay Shoppa
Originator

5-6-22
Date

Betty A. McCrohan
Cabinet-Level Supervisor

5-6-22
Date

President's Approval:

Betty A. McCrohan
President

5-6-22
Date

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Firearms

The College District prohibits the use, possession, or display of a firearm on College District property or at a College District-sponsored or -related activity in violation of law and College District regulations.

Open Carry

The College District prohibits the open carry of handguns or other firearms on College District property, in accordance with law.

Concealed Carry

A license holder may carry a concealed handgun on College District property except where prohibited by law or College District policy and procedures.

License holders shall be responsible for complying with the applicable federal and state law and College District policy and procedures.

Exclusion Zones

Specific College District areas where the use, possession, or display of a firearm is prohibited include:

1. Campus areas used for patient care, counseling, and mental health services, including counseling and disabilities services offices;
2. Locations where contractual or licensing obligations require exclusion of firearms, including testing centers,;
3. Locations where a College District competitive sporting event or interscholastic event is taking place, including athletic facilities;
4. Any location where a school district event is being held, including an officially sanctioned high school game or match;
5. Any location where a grievance or disciplinary hearing is taking place;
6. Any location where a Board meeting is taking place;
7. Any location that is a polling place during early voting and/or election day; and
8. Any location used by a court.

For more information on concealed carry firearm exclusions, including the precise locations to which the exclusions apply, consult College District regulations and the [College District website](#).

Temporary Prohibition

In accordance with College District regulations, the College President may temporarily prohibit the concealed carry of handguns on a case-by-case basis at any campus location or specific period that creates a unique situation that poses a threat to the safety of the campus community.

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<i>Requests</i>	Any requests for a temporary prohibition on concealed carry of handguns should be made and decided on in accordance with College District regulations.
<i>Signage</i>	Legally required signage must be properly displayed during the period in which a prohibition on carry applies in accordance with College District regulations.
Other Weapons and Devices Prohibited	<p>The College District prohibits the use, possession, or display of any location-restricted knives, clubs, knuckles, firearm silencers, or prohibited weapons, as defined by law, on College District property or at a College District-sponsored or -related activity, unless written authorization is granted in advance by the College President or designee.</p> <p>Additionally, the following weapons are prohibited on College District property or at any College District-sponsored or -related activity:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Fireworks of any kind;2. Incendiary devices;3. Instruments designed to expel a projectile with the use of pressurized air, like a BB gun;4. Razors;5. Chains; or6. Martial arts throwing stars. <p>The possession or use of articles not generally considered to be weapons may be prohibited when the College President or designee determines that a danger exists for any student, College District employee, or College District property by virtue of possession or use.</p> <p>Violations Employees and students found to be in violation of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action. [See DH, FM, and FMA]</p>