

**NEW POLICY - VOL. 30, NO. 2**WEAPONS

The Board of Education prohibits any person who is under contract from possessing, storing, making, or using a weapon in any setting that is under the control and supervision of the District for the purpose of school activities approved and authorized by the District including, but not limited to, property leased, owned, or contracted for by the District, a school-sponsored event, including athletic events, or in a District vehicle.

(-) ~~without the permission of the Superintendent.~~

"Under contract" shall apply to individuals, as well as owners and employees of entities, who contract directly with the District or with a third-party vendor, management company, or similar contracting entity, to provide food, custodial, transportation, counseling or administrative services to the District. It shall also apply to individuals or entities providing instructional services to students or related auxiliary services to special education students.

The term "weapon" means any object which, in the manner in which it used, is intended to be used, or is represented, is capable of inflicting serious bodily harm or property damage, as well as endangering the health and safety of persons. Weapons include, but are not limited firearms, guns of any type including spring, air and gas-powered guns (whether loaded or unloaded) that will expel a BB, pellet, or paint balls, knives, razors, clubs, electric weapons, metallic knuckles, martial arts weapon, ammunition, and explosives or any other weapon described in 18 U.S.C. 921.

The Superintendent shall refer an individual who violates this policy to law enforcement officials. The District may also take other action against the individual and/or his/her employer, including, but not limited to, requiring that the individual not be allowed to provide services to the District in the future and/or terminating any contractual relationship with the individual and/or the employer.

Exceptions to this policy include:

- ~~(X)~~ weapons under the control of law enforcement personnel;
- ~~(X)~~ items approved by a Principal as part of a class or individual presentation under adult supervision, if used for the purpose of and in the manner approved; (Working firearms and ammunition shall never be approved.)
- ~~(X)~~ theatrical props that do not meet the definition of "weapons" above, used in appropriate settings;
- ~~(X)~~ starter pistols used in appropriate sporting events;
- ~~(-)~~ ~~firearms that are lawfully stored inside a locked vehicle in school parking areas if the District adopts appropriate safeguards to provide for student safety.~~

Individuals under contract shall immediately report knowledge of dangerous weapons and/or threats of violence by students, staff members, or other individuals to the appropriate administrator.

Adopted

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