

JICI – WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Weapons are not permitted on school property, in school vehicles, or at school-sponsored activities. This policy applies to students and members of the public alike. Student violations of this policy will result in both school disciplinary action and notification of the police. Suspension or expulsion from school could result. Members of the public who violate this policy will be reported to the police.

Any student possessing a weapon shall be brought immediately to the Principal and the weapon shall be immediately seized. The Principal shall request a police response in every situation. The parent(s)/guardian(s) of the student shall be notified. A conference between the parent(s)/guardian(s), student, and principal shall be held as soon as possible and prior to returning to school.

The term “weapons” includes, but is not limited to firearms (rifles, pistols, revolvers, pellet guns, BB guns, etc.), bullets, knives, slingshots, metallic knuckles, firecrackers, billies, stilettos, switchblade knives, explosives, incendiaries, martial arts weapons (as defined by RSA 159:24 and RSA 159:20), self-defense weapons (as defined by RSA 159:20), or any other substance, object, or thing which, in the manner it is used, or threatened to be used, is known to be capable of producing death or bodily injury.

In addition, any student who is determined to have brought a firearm (as defined by 18 U.S.C. § 921) to school will be expelled for not less than one year (365 days). This expulsion may be modified by the Superintendent upon review of the specific case in accordance with other applicable law.

Weapons under control of law enforcement personnel are permitted.

All students will receive written notification of this policy at least once each year.

Statutory/Regulatory/Policy/Handbook Cross References

18 U.S.C § 921-924

20 U.S.C. § 7151 (Gun-Free Schools Act)

RSA 193-D (Safe School Zones)

RSA 193:13 (Suspension and Expulsion of Students)

NH Code of Administrative Rules ED 317 (Standards and Procedures for Suspension and Expulsion of Pupils Including Procedures Assuring Due Process)

Policy JICD (Student Conduct, Discipline, and Due Process [Safe School Zones])

Policy JICD-R (Administrative Procedure for Student Conduct, Discipline, and Due Process [Safe School Zones])

Handbook (Referenced in Handbooks)

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