

WEAPONS OR THREATS OF VIOLENCE

The possession of any weapon on school property or at any school-related activity is to be reported immediately to law enforcement officials. Any student in possession of a weapon will be immediately suspended from the school. If, in the judgment of the Principal, there are no extenuating circumstances, the student shall be expelled from the school.

The definition of “weapon” shall include but is not limited to any knife, cutting instrument, cutting tool, nun-chuck stick, firearm, shotgun, rifle and any other tool, instrument or implement capable of inflicting serious bodily injury. In addition, the Principal reserves the right to define "weapon" in the case of objects other than the obvious guns and knives. Unloaded guns, replicas, and objects used in a threatening manner may all fall into this category.

The Principal is to inform the Superintendent of Schools if anyone is accused of possessing a weapon.

A threat to inflict violence on another person shall be investigated immediately by school authorities. If a threat is determined to be credible, the student(s) involved may be suspended and law enforcement officials notified. Students making threats against others may be required to have a professional evaluation before they are permitted to return to class. If the assessment by school authorities and the professional evaluation indicate that a student poses a threat to him/her self, or to others, or requires support beyond what the school is able to provide, the student may be asked to withdraw from the school. In a serious situation, students who are considered to pose such a threat to themselves or others may be expelled.

Policy

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