

## **Dangerous Weapons Policy**

The safety of all students, staff, volunteers, and visitors is paramount. No weapon of any sort (firearm, lighter, knife, explosive, or any other device that could be used in a way as to inflict physical/mental harm or property damage) may be on school grounds, taken on any school activity or on a school vehicle.

If a student brings or is in possession of any firearm, knife, or other dangerous or destructive device on school grounds, at any school activity, or on a school vehicle, the Assistant Principal/Principal shall expel the student for a period of one calendar year. The Assistant Principal/Principal, with concurrence of the Board of Directors, may reduce this requirement on a case-by-case basis in accordance with State Law. The School is required by Federal Law to report any such incidents to the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency systems, and may also report to local child protective services.

In compliance with state and federal laws, that requires the expulsion for not less than one year of any student who is determined to have brought a firearm to school or to have possessed a firearm at school. (20 USC 7151[b][1]; EC 48915[c][1])

Students may not bring any item that resembles a firearm but does not have the explosive characteristics of a firearm but may use a spring loaded device or air pressure to propel an object or substance. (i.e. toy guns, cap guns, BB guns, pellet guns, paper guns, finger guns).

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