

Weapons and Firearms in Schools – Staff

- 1.0 Employees, District contractors and/or their employees, Building Usage Permit Holders, and District volunteers shall not possess a weapon or firearm on District property or at school-sponsored events.
 - 1.1 This prohibition includes those who may otherwise be permitted by law to carry such weapons or firearms.
- 2.0 For purposes of this policy, and as defined by state law, a weapon includes:
 - 2.1 A “dangerous weapon”, which is defined as any weapon, device, instrument, material or substance, which under the circumstances in which it is used, attempted to be used or threatened to be used, is readily capable of causing death or serious physical injury; and
 - 2.2 A “deadly weapon”, which is any instrument, article, or substance specifically designed for and presently capable of causing death or serious physical injury.
- 3.0 For purposes of this policy, a firearm includes:
 - 3.1 As defined by state law, a weapon, by whatever name known, which is designed to expel a projectile by the action of powder and which is readily capable of use as a weapon; and
 - 3.2 As defined by federal law,
 - A. any weapon (including a starting gun) which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive;
 - B. the frame or receiver of any such weapon;
 - C. any firearm muffler or firearm silencer; or
 - D. any destructive device, which includes:
 - (1) any explosive, incendiary, or poison gas -
 - i. bomb,
 - ii. grenade,
 - iii. rocket having a propellant charge of more than four ounces,
 - iv. missile having an explosive or incendiary charge of more than one-quarter ounce,
 - v. mine, or
 - vi. device similar to any of the devices described in the preceding clauses;
 - (2) Any type of weapon (other than a shotgun or a shotgun shell) by whatever name known which will, or which may be readily converted to, expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or

other propellant, and which has any barrel with a bore of more than one-half inch in diameter; and

- (3) Any combination of parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into any destructive device described in subparagraph (1) or (2) and from which a destructive device may be readily assembled.

4.0 Weapons and firearms under the control of law enforcement personnel are permitted as allowed by both state and federal law.

5.0 The superintendent may authorize District employees, District contractors and/or their employees, District volunteers, and individuals granted building use permits to possess weapons for courses, programs and activities approved by the district and conducted on district property.

5.1 Standard exemptions are:

5.1.1 Starter pistols for track and field events

5.1.2 Replicas of weapons used by NJROTC and other school approved activities

5.1.3 Weapons for approved Hunter Safety courses or approved youth groups, i.e.; Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, or Camp Fire Girls.

6.0 The superintendent will ensure notice of this policy is provided.

7.0 Employees in violation of this policy will be subject to discipline up to and including dismissal. Individuals contracting with the District and volunteers will be subject to appropriate sanctions.

8.0 A referral to law enforcement may be made as required by law for any violation of this policy.

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 161.015

ORS 166.210 – 166.370

ORS 332.107

Gun-Free School Zones Act of 1990, 18 U.S.C. §§921 (a)(25)-(26), 922 (q)(2006).