

Weapons Policy

2.2 is in possession of a weapon on his or her person or in any other place at or near the school; or

2.3 has used such a weapon for the purposes of intimidation or assault;

The Board directs that the situation be treated with the utmost seriousness, that the principal be informed and that the principal or when appropriate, a staff member, shall as expeditiously as possible;

2.4 make all reasonable efforts to minimize the risk of injury to any other person;

2.5 notify the police if that action is deemed appropriate;

2.6 make all reasonable efforts to ensure that the weapon is controlled; and

2.7 confiscate and/or arrange with the appropriate authority to have the weapon removed from the school premises or surroundings. Any weapons seized shall be considered forfeited.

3. Report of Incident

Once the safety of the students and staff is ensured, the principal:

3.1 may, report the matter to the local law enforcement authorities and if appropriate seek their assistance, if not previously requested;

3.2 shall, as soon as practicable, notify the parent or guardian of any student involved in the situation;

3.3 shall, if appropriate, report the matter to parents of all students in the school if there is a possibility of ongoing threat;

3.4 shall, make an immediate oral report of the situation to the Superintendent of Schools or designate; and

3.5 shall, as soon as is practicable, and if appropriate, provide a written report to the Superintendent of Schools. Every effort should be made to include appropriate detail of the person or persons involved, the situation, processes and procedures used and the evidence gathered, all of which may be required to support further action, including charges.

7. Awareness

Details of this policy shall be communicated at the beginning of each school year to students, parents and staff members.