

POSSESSION OF A WEAPON

It is the policy of the Division that weapons are prohibited in division schools, on school buses, on the way to and from school, and at all school related activities. An exception to this policy may be made for events such as drama productions, if permission has been given by the school principal.

A "weapon" is any instrument which has been designed or which may be used to injure, threaten or intimidate another person.

When a student is or is suspected to be in possession of a weapon, school personnel should immediately investigate, manage the incident and take possession of any weapon found, when and if it is safe to do so. Confiscated weapons will be returned to parents or delivered to the police as determined by the school principal.

Violation of this policy is cause for further action which may include;

- a) notification of parents;
- b) notification of police; and
- c) suspension from school.

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