

POLICY 315 WEAPONS

The Board recognizes its responsibility to provide a secure and safe environment for members of the school community. The Board considers the possession or use of a weapon on or near school property or during school sponsored functions and activities as a serious threat to the safety and security of students and staff and is strictly prohibited.

Any student found to have used or be in possession of a weapon will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action and/or criminal charges.

Definitions:

“Weapon” means any firearm, whether loaded or unloaded; any chemical, substance, device, or instrument designed as a weapon or through its use capable of threatening or producing bodily harm or death; or any device or instrument that is used to threaten, intimidate, or cause bodily harm or death. This includes replicas and toys or bringing weapons on site for protection for the purpose of threatening, intimidating or causing harm to any person.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, items worn for religious purposes or implements used for other purposes may be brought to school with the prior permission of the Principal or designate and under conditions stipulated by the Principal or designate.