STUDENT PERSONNEL Series 500

Policy Title: POSSESSION OF WEAPONS

Code: 503.7

Possession of guns of any caliber and of knives that exceed two and one-half (2½) inches in length, as well as weapons identified in I.C. 18-3302 as well as any other dangerous or deadly weapon shall be prohibited on school premises, grounds, buildings, buses, or any facility or grounds/facilities used by the District for school sponsored events or activities. The student shall be deemed in possession of the prohibited items if the item(s) are on the student, in the student's locker, clothing, book bag, or other personal effects.

For purposes of Idaho Code 18-3302D, the weapons include firearms, dirk knives, bowie knives, daggers, metal knuckles or other deadly or dangerous weapons.

The Board of Trustees shall expel any person violating the provisions of this section if the violator is a student. The school shall immediately suspend the student pursuant to the provisions of Section 33-205, Idaho Code.

For purposes of enforcing the provisions of this policy, employees of a school district shall be deemed to have the right to search all students or minors, their belongings, and lockers which are reasonably believed to be in violation of the provision of this policy regarding the carrying of a firearm, dirk knife, bowie knife, dagger, metal knuckles, or other deadly or dangerous weapons.

Policy authorities shall be contacted for possible filing of charges.

The possession of any simulated weapon is also prohibited and subject to disciplinary action up to expulsion.

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Related References: Gun Free Schools Act 3/31/94