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WEAPONS AND DANGEROUS INSTRUMENTS

Prohibited weapons and dangerous instruments include, but are not limited to:

1. Firearms: pistols, revolvers, shotguns, rifles, "zip guns," "stun guns," tasers, and any other device capable of propelling a projectile by the force of an explosion or other form of combustion.

- 2. Ammunition or reloaded ammunition.
- 3. Knives: any razor blades, box cutters, ice picks, dirks, daggers or other weapons with a fixed, sharpened blade fitted primarily for stabbing, weapons with a blade fitted primarily for stabbing, weapons with a blade longer than 3½ inches, folding knives with a blade that locks into place, and razors with an unguarded blade. (Education Code 48915)
- 4. Explosive and/or incendiary devices: pipe bombs, time bombs, cap guns, containers of inflammable fluids, and other hazardous devices.
- 5. Any instrument that expels a metallic projectile, such as a BB or a pellet, through the force of air pressure, carbon dioxide pressure, or spring action, or any spot marker gun.
- 6. Any other dangerous device, instrument or weapon, especially those defined in Penal Code 12020, including a blackjack, slingshot, billy, nunchaku, sandclub, sandbag, metal knuckles, or any metal plate with three or more radiating points with one or more sharp edges designed for use as a weapon.
- 7. Any imitation firearm, defined as a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.

Any employee may take any weapon or dangerous instrument from the personal possession of a student while the student is on school premises or under the authority of the District. (Education Code 49331, 49332)

(cf. 5145.12 – Search and Seizure)

In determining whether to take possession of the weapon or dangerous instrument, the employee shall use his/her own judgment as to the imminent danger of the situation and, based upon this analysis, shall take one of the following actions:

- 1. Confiscate the object and deliver it to the principal or designee immediately.
- 2. Immediately notify the principal or designee, who shall take appropriate action.

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3. Immediately notify school security, the local law enforcement agency and the principal or designee.

(cf. 0450 – Comprehensive Safety Plan) (cf. 3515.3 – District/Police Security Department)

(cf. 4158/4258/4358 - Employee Security)

When informing the principal or designee about the possession or seizure of a weapon or dangerous device, the employee shall report the name(s) of persons involved, witnesses, location, and the circumstances of any possession or seizure.

The principal or designee shall report any possession of a weapon or dangerous instrument, including imitation firearm, to the student's parents/guardians by telephone or in person, and shall follow this notification with a letter.

The employee shall retain possession of the instrument until the risk of its use as a weapon has dissipated or, upon the request of the student's parent/guardian, until the parent/guardian appears and personally takes possession. (Education Code 49331, 49332)

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