

WEAPONS

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PREAMBLE

The Board recognizes its responsibility in ensuring a secure environment for students and staff in which they will be safe from violence or intimidation. The possession, within the school environment, of any instrument designed to inflict injury or to intimidate another person, or the use of any instrument for the purpose of inflicting injury or intimidating another person, is a danger to all members of the school community and is detrimental to a positive climate.

POLICY

THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER THE POSSESSION OR USE OF ANY WEAPON BY ANYONE ON SCHOOL PREMISES TO BE A SERIOUS THREAT TO THE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT AND TO THE SAFETY OF BOTH STUDENTS AND STAFF. THE BOARD SHALL TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION OR LAY CHARGES AGAINST ANY INDIVIDUAL SO INVOLVED.

OBJECTIVES

1. To provide a weapons-free environment in all schools.
2. To indicate the seriousness and hence the non-acceptance of weapons in schools.
3. To deter persons from possessing weapons on school premises.

REGULATIONS

1. When a principal reasonably believes that any person on school premises, without lawful excuse
  - a. possesses a weapon on their person or in any other place; or
  - b. uses a weapon for the purposes of intimidation or assault,that principal shall
  - a. make all reasonable attempts to minimize the risk of injury to any member of the school community ; and
  - b.

