Weapons on School Property

Weapons are not permitted on school property, in school vehicles, vehicles parked on school property or at school-sponsored activities. No person, other than law enforcement personnel, may enter school property as enumerated above, with a weapon of any kind in their possession or vehicle without prior written authorization from the building principal. 20 U.S.C. § 7151, Gun-Free Schools Act and RSA 193-D.

The term weapon includes, but is not limited to, firearms (rifles, pistols, revolvers, pellet guns, BB guns) knives, slingshots, metallic knuckles, firecrackers, billy-clubs, stilettos, switchblade knives, swords, canes, pistol canes, black jacks, daggers, dirk knives, explosives, incendiaries, martial arts weapons or self-defense weapons, or look-alike weapons (as defined by RSA 159:24 and RSA 159:20 respectively), or any other object or substance which in the manner it is used, or threatened to be used, is known to be capable of producing death or bodily injury.

Members of the public who violate this policy will be reported to local law enforcement authorities.

Any student who is determined to have brought a firearm (as defined 18U.S.C. §921) to school or to a school sponsored activity, will be expelled for not less than one year (365 days). This expulsion may be modified by the Superintendent upon review of the specific case in accordance with other applicable law.

Student violations of this policy will result in both school disciplinary action and notification of local law enforcement authorities.

Disciplinary action shall include a one (l) to ten (10) day suspension from school. The building principal, in consultation with the Superintendent of Schools, may refer the matter to the School Board, depending upon the specific circumstances of the violation.

The Board may impose additional discipline, including expulsion from school.

Legal Reference:

18 U.S.C. § 921 et seq.

20 U.S.C. § 7151, Gun-Free Schools Act

RSA 193-D, Safe School Zones

RSA 193:13, Suspension and Expulsion of Students

NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. <u>317</u>, Standards and procedures for suspension and expulsion of pupils including procedures assuring due process NCLB 20 U.S.C.A. § 7139 et seq