

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSVILLE
BOARD POLICY**

STUDENTS

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES STUDENT CONDUCT WEAPONS

WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PREMISES

443.6

No person shall possess, store, or use a weapon or look-alike weapon in school buildings, on school premises, in district-owned or contracted vehicles, or at any school-sponsored function or event. (This prohibition does not apply to law enforcement officers discharging their official duties or military personnel who are armed in the line of duty.)

The building principal may allow weapons in the building for purposes of demonstration or educational presentations. This approval must be in writing and granted prior to the weapon being brought to the school. The weapon shall be maintained in the possession of the principal except during the actual demonstration or presentation.

A weapon is any object that by its design and/or use can cause bodily injury or property damage. This includes, but is not limited to firearms/guns including BB and pellet firing guns (loaded or unloaded), firearm silencers, knives, razors, karate sticks, nunchaku, metal knuckles, chains, and similar items including laser beam pens or destructive devices such as explosives or fire bombs. A weapon is also defined as any facsimile firearm such as a toy, starter pistol, or other object that can be perceived as an actual firearm.

Any student violating this policy shall be subject to penalties outlined in state and federal law including mandatory expulsion from school. Weapons will be confiscated by the District.

Employees violating this policy shall be disciplined in accordance with employee policies and agreements and referred to law enforcement officials for prosecution.

Any other person violating this policy shall be referred to law enforcement officials for prosecution.

Law enforcement officers will be summoned to the schools in a situation involving a weapon which presents an immediate threat to safety. If the situation does not allow an opportunity to contact law enforcement officials immediately, school staff and administration shall attempt to diffuse and control the situation until law enforcement officials can be summoned.

*Cross References: School Board Policies 523.4, 834
Wisc. State Statute 120.13(1), 939.22(10), 948.60, 948.61
Gun Free School Act 1994*

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