

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSVILLE  
BOARD POLICY**

**SCHOOL-COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

**USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES AND GROUNDS**

**WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PREMISES**

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No person shall possess, store, or use a destructive device, firearm, or other dangerous weapon (as defined under section 948.61 of the state statutes) of any kind, whether concealed or not concealed, at any time:

- in any school or other building/facility that is owned, occupied or controlled by the District;
- on the grounds of a school or on other school premises; or
- at any District-sponsored program or activity not held on school grounds or on school premises, where such program or activity qualifies as a special event having restricted access that is controlled by the District.

The only exceptions to this policy are: (1) the lawful possession of an agency-authorized firearm or other weapon by a law enforcement officer or a state-certified commission warden who is acting in his/her official capacity; (2) the possession of a properly-licensed firearm by any qualified current law enforcement officer who is off duty or by any qualified former law enforcement officer, provided that the individual meets all applicable conditions specified in the state and federal gun-free school zone laws; and (3) where state law prohibits a school district from restricting any individual's right to possess a firearm or other dangerous weapon in a location covered by this policy. Nothing in this policy is intended to prohibit the possession or use of potentially dangerous objects or substances that are not designed primarily for use as a weapon (e.g., certain equipment and tools), provided that such objects or substances have been issued or authorized by the District, and provided that such objects or substances are possessed and used exclusively for their limited and authorized purpose(s).

Law enforcement officers should be contacted to help deal with a weapons situation which presents an immediate threat to safety. If the situation does not allow an opportunity to contact law enforcement officials immediately, school staff shall attempt to diffuse and control the situation in the safest manner possible until law enforcement officials can be summoned. Appropriate information and training shall be provided to staff in dealing with weapons situations in accordance with the school safety plan.

Anyone violating this policy shall be asked to leave and remove the weapon from the premises, activity, or event and/or may be referred to law enforcement officials for possible prosecution under applicable laws or ordinances.

Public notice of the prohibitions established by this policy shall be provided through appropriate signage or other types of notice as determined appropriate by the administration, consistent with any applicable legal requirements.

**Wisconsin Statutes**

<a href="#">Section 118.07</a>	[school safety plans]
<a href="#">Section 120.13(1)</a>	[board authority for rule-making]
<a href="#">Section 175.60</a>	[license to carry a concealed weapon]
<a href="#">Section 941.23</a>	[carrying a concealed weapon]
<a href="#">Section 943.13</a>	[criminal trespass law, includes provisions related to carrying firearms]
<a href="#">Section 948.605</a>	[gun-free schools zones]
<a href="#">Section 948.61</a>	[dangerous weapons other than firearms on school premises]

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