

San Dieguito Union High School District

Weapons and Dangerous Instruments

AR 5131.7

Students

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, razor blades, and box cutters: any dirks, daggers, ice picks, 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 2-1/2 inches, folding knives with a blade that locks into place, and razors with an unguarded blade
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, including 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.

In determining whether to take possession of the weapon or dangerous instrument, the employee shall use their own judgment as to the dangerousness 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 immediately
2. Immediately notify the principal, who shall take appropriate action
3. Immediately notify the local law enforcement agency and the principal

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

The principal shall report any possession of a weapon or dangerous instrument to the student's parents/guardians/educational rights holders 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/educational rights holder, until the parent/guardian/educational rights holder appears and personally takes possession.

State

Ed. Code 35291
Ed. Code 48902
Ed. Code 48915
Ed. Code 48916
Ed. Code 48980
Ed. Code 49330-49335
Ed. Code 49390-49395
Pen. Code 16100-17360
Pen. Code 22810-23025
Pen. Code 245
Pen. Code 25200-25225
Pen. Code 30310
Pen. Code 417.4
Pen. Code 626.10

Pen. Code 626.9

Federal

20 USC 6301-8961
20 USC 7961
6 USC 665k

Management Resources

CSBA Publication

U.S. Department of Education Publication

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Description

Governing board to prescribe rules for discipline of the schools
Mandatory notification of law enforcement authorities
Required recommendation for expulsions
Readmission
Parent/Guardian notifications
Injurious objects
Homicide threats
Definitions
Tear gas weapon (pepper spray)
Assault with deadly weapon
Firearms; access to children
Prohibition against ammunition on school grounds
Imitation firearm; drawing or exhibiting
Dirks, daggers, knives, razor or stun gun; bringing or possessing in school
Gun-Free School Zone Act of 1995

Description

No Child Left Behind Act
Gun-Free Schools Act
Federal Clearinghouse on School Safety Evidence-Based Practices

Description

Safe Schools: Strategies for Governing Boards to Ensure Student Success, Third Edition, October 2011

Guidance Concerning State and Local Responsibilities Under the Gun-Free Schools Act, 2018

[U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Fusion Centers](#)

[California State Threat Assessment System](#)

[CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services](#)

[U.S. Department of Education, Safe Schools](#)

[National Alliance for Safe Schools](#)

[National School Safety Center](#)

[U.S. Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools](#)

[California Department of Education, Safe Schools](#)

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