

Students

Search and Seizure

Use of Metal Detectors

The following procedures shall be followed when making metal detector scans:

1. Before walk-through, students shall be asked to empty their pockets of metallic objects.
2. If an initial activation occurs, students shall be asked to remove other metallic objects they may be wearing (e.g., belt and jewelry) and to walk through a second time.
3. If a second activation occurs, a hand-held metal detector shall be used.
4. If the activation is not eliminated or explained, staff shall escort the student to a private area.
5. In the private area, an expanded search shall be conducted by a staff member of the same gender as the student, in the presence of another district employee.
6. The search shall be limited to the detection of weapons.

Use of Drug-Detection Dogs

Drug-detection dogs shall not be used in rooms occupied by persons except for demonstration purposes, with the handler present. When used for demonstration purposes, the dog shall be separated from the students and not allowed to sniff any individual.

Only the dog's official handler shall determine what constitutes an alert by the dog. If the dog alerts on a particular item or place, the student having the use of that item or place, or responsibility for it, shall be called to witness the search.

(cf. 5131.6 - Alcohol and Other Drugs)

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

(cf. 5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)

Notifications

At the beginning of each school year and whenever students are assigned lockers, desks or other district property, the Superintendent or designee may inform students and

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parents/guardians of the possibility of random searches of students, their belongings and district properties under their control.

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