

# POLICY

2014 7360

Students

## **SUBJECT: WEAPONS IN SCHOOL AND THE GUN-FREE SCHOOLS ACT**

The possession of a weapon on school property or at school sponsored activities or settings under the control and supervision of the District regardless of location, except by law enforcement personnel, is strictly prohibited. Any person possessing a weapon (except law enforcement personnel) for educational purposes in any school building must have advance written authorization of the Superintendent of Schools/designee.

Any student who has been found guilty of bringing in or possessing a firearm or weapon in violation of this policy will be disciplined in a manner consistent with State and Federal law and the District's Code of Conduct. Such discipline may include a mandatory suspension for a period of not less than one (1) calendar year for a student who is determined to have violated the Federal Gun-Free Schools Act and its implementing provisions in the New York State Education Law, provided that the Superintendent may modify the suspension requirement on a case-by-case basis.

The Penal Law of the State of New York shall be used to determine what is considered a weapon.

Gun-Free Schools Act as reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001  
18 USC Sections 921(a) and 930  
Criminal Procedure Law Section 1.20(42)  
Education Law Sections 809-a and 3214  
Penal Law Sections 265.01-265.06  
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