

# POLICY

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## UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A WEAPON UPON SCHOOL GROUNDS

### **SUBJECT: UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A WEAPON UPON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

The possession of a weapon, as that term is defined in the New York State Penal Law, on school property is strictly prohibited, except by active law enforcement personnel. Any other person possessing a weapon in any school building must have written authorization of the Board of Education. In that regard, the Board of Education reserves the right to contract out for armed security personnel.

Unlawful possession of a weapon upon school grounds is a violation of the New York State Penal Law, School District Policy and, if the weapon is possessed by a District Student, the Student Discipline Code of Conduct.

Any outside organization, except those identified by the District on a pre-approved list of organizations who, through direct coordination with the District, provide resources, support and/or program enhancement to students, staff and/or parents, that has been granted permission to use the District's facilities in accordance with Section 414 of the New York State Education Law that requests to have armed security personnel at a particular event shall be required to make written application to the Board of Education. To the extent such an application is granted, the armed security services shall be provided by the District's armed security contractor, and all costs associated with the utilization of armed security shall be borne by the outside organization.

Penal Law Sections 265.05 and 265.06  
Education Law §414

NOTE: Refer also to Policies #7360 – Gun-Free Schools

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