

**WEAPONS IN SCHOOLS - ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE**

**I. Administrative Implementation Procedures**

**A. Administrators/Principals**

Administrators shall take appropriate action for any violation of this policy/procedure including but not limited to student discipline and action by law enforcement officials as appropriate. Administrators will confiscate any article described in this policy/procedure using appropriate measures and, if appropriate, submit the article to a suitable law enforcement agency.

Principals may authorize inspections of student automobiles, clothing, purses, bags, backpacks and other personal belongings when there are reasonable grounds to suspect that the inspection will produce evidence that this policy/procedure has been violated.

**B. School Staff**

School staff shall take appropriate action in the event of an altercation involving violence and/or the use of a weapon. Incidents shall be reported immediately to the appropriate administrator.

**II. Enforcement**

**A. Title 20-A MRS 1001 (9) (1995)**

A student who is determined to have brought a firearm to school under this subsection must be expelled from school for a period of not less than one year, except that the School Board may authorize the superintendent to modify the requirement for expulsion of a student on a case-by-case basis. A decision to change the placement of a student with a disability must be made in accordance with the federal Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 United States Code, Section 1400 et seq.

**B. Title 20-A MRS 1001 9-A (B)**

Nothing in this Unit's Weapons in Schools policy or in the Administrative Procedure shall prevent the School Board from:

1. Offering instructional activities related to firearms or from allowing a firearm to be brought to school for instructional activities sanctioned by the Unit; or
2. Providing educational services in an alternative setting to a student who has been expelled.

The superintendent or his/her designee shall be responsible for granting permission to

conduct such instructional activities consistent with Title 20-A MRSA SS 1001 9-A (B)

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