

**SEARCHES BY TRAINED CANINES**

**POLICY STATEMENT**

- A. The School District of New London reserves the right to use canines trained for drug detection accompanied by law officials for purposes of the exploratory sniffing of the outside of lockers, vehicles parked on school property, and any other areas of school property deemed appropriate.
- B. This activity will be carried out on a random or periodic basis and/or when reasonable suspicion exists.

**POLICY PROCEDURE**

- A. The following specific procedures apply regarding the use of canine units:
  - 1. Canines may be used without prior notification to students and/or school personnel.
  - 2. Canines may be called for by the school principal/designee with notification of the district administrator/designee as deemed appropriate.
  - 3. Students will be restricted to classrooms and kept out of hallways while canines are in use.
  - 4. In the event of a canine "hit," the locker, vehicle, or other area will be searched further using established district procedures.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

CROSS-REFERENCE: