

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW LONDON

ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINE 832 - WEAPONS

- A. Any student violating this policy will be subject to the provisions of Chapter 938 of the Juvenile Justice Code plus suspension and/or recommendation for expulsion. In any case, law enforcement officials will be notified, parent/guardian will be notified and a recommendation for expulsion review considered.
- B. In accordance with sections 120.13(1)(bm) and (c)2m of the state statutes and the federal Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994, if a student, while at school or while under the supervision of a school authority, possessed a "firearm" as defined in federal law:
 - 1. The student must be suspended from school;
 - 2. The board must commence expulsion proceedings; and
 - 3. The board must expel the student from school for not less than one year. The board may shorten the term of expulsion on a case-by-case basis. School officials should be aware that under the federal Gun-Free Schools Act as re-authorized by current federal law, the chief administering officer of a local educational agency is required to develop a written record of any case-by-case modifications to the one-year expulsion requirement.
 - 4. For purposes of these laws, "firearm" has the meaning specific in Sec. 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
- C. Any employee who violates this policy may also be subject to disciplinary action including termination of employment.
- D. Any other person violating this policy will be turned over to law enforcement officials for possible prosecution under Wisconsin state statute, city ordinances, or federal laws.
- E. Exceptions to this policy:
 - 1. Possession or use of weapons by a law enforcement officer, a state-certified commission warden or military personnel acting in his or her official capacity.
 - 2. Use of knives and/or dangerous tools by school personnel in the performance of their assigned duties.
 - 3. Use of a starter pistol for appropriate athletic events.
 - 4. Equipment to be used in approved classes under proper supervision.

5. "Look-alike" weapons to be used for theatrical purposes.
6. Possession of weapons on school premises for the purpose of hunter safety classes, provided:
 - a. A signed parental consent form is reviewed by the building principal with formal written permission approved.
 - b. The weapon is registered and handled in a legal manner.
 - c. The weapon is legally transported.
 - d. There are no magazines, clips, nor ammunition.

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CROSS-REFERENCE: Policy 832 Weapons
Policy 447.3 Student Suspension
Policy 447.4 Student Expulsion

LEGAL REFERENCE: Section 120.13(1) Wisconsin Statutes
Section 120.44 Wisconsin Statutes
Section 948.60 Wisconsin Statutes
Section 948.605 Wisconsin Statutes
Section 948.61 Wisconsin Statutes
Chapter 938 Juvenile Justice Code
Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994
18 USC 922(q)(2)(B)(vi)