

**SEARCHES – STUDENT LOCKER/DESK**

- A. To maintain order and discipline in the schools and to protect the safety and welfare of students and school district personnel, school authorities may search student lockers/desks under the circumstances outlined below and may seize any illegal, unauthorized or contraband materials discovered in the search. For purposes of this policy, "school authorities" shall be defined as building administrators or their designees.
- B. As used in this policy, the term "unauthorized material" means any item dangerous to the health or safety of students or school personnel, or disruptive of any lawful function, mission, or process of the school, or any item described as "unauthorized" in school rules available beforehand to the student.
- C. School lockers/desks are the property of the School District of New London. At no time does the School District of New London relinquish its exclusive control of lockers/desks provided for the convenience of students. Periodic general inspections of lockers/desks may be conducted by school authorities for any reason at any time, without student consent, and without a search warrant.
- D. The School District of New London does not assume responsibility for the loss, damage, or destruction of any property stored in the student lockers/desks.

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