

BOARD POLICIES	POSSESSION OF LETHAL WEAPONS OR FIREARMS (BP-5019) METRO TECHNOLOGY CENTERS	The on-line version of the policy is official. Therefore, all printed versions are unofficial copies.
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1.0 POLICY:

No person shall carry a firearm, as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921.3, or lethal weapon, as defined in 21 O.S. § 1272, either concealed or openly, onto any District property or into or around any District-sponsored or supported event without written permission of the superintendent.

Any employee found in possession of a firearm or lethal weapon shall, upon proof of said possession being presented to the superintendent, be suspended from duty by the superintendent. This suspension may result in the superintendent recommending the employee's termination of employment on the basis of willful neglect of duty to the Board of Education. Additionally, any such violation may result in a report to the Oklahoma City Police Department and the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, as authorized by Oklahoma law.

Any student found in possession of a lethal weapon shall, upon proof of possession of said lethal weapon being presented to the site director and/or chief officer of instruction and/or associate/assistant superintendent, be suspended until the end of the next succeeding semester by the site director. Any student found in possession of a firearm shall, upon proof of possession of said firearm being presented to the site director and/or chief officer of instruction and/or associate/assistant superintendent, be suspended permanently by the site director. Either suspension is subject to modification by the Board of Education upon proper appeal to the Board by the student.

The above period of suspension shall be imposed in each incident of possession of a lethal weapon or firearm while on any public school property, including any leased property, or while in any school bus or any other vehicle used by a public school or for transportation of students or teachers unless there is an appeal to the Board and the Board modifies such term of suspension on a case-by-case basis after a hearing conducted as required by 70 O.S. § 24-101.3. The student, parent or guardian may request this appeal by notifying the board clerk, minute clerk or substitute minute clerk.

A violation of this policy by others shall result in their expulsion from district property and may result in a report to the Oklahoma City Police Department and the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, as authorized by Oklahoma law.

This policy shall not apply to security officers in the course of their official duties of patrolling Metro Tech property or to persons instructing or receiving instruction in any class where the use of firearms is a District-approved part of the curriculum (e.g., Phase 4-Firearms).

Effective November 1, 2011, this policy shall not apply to a person in possession of a valid concealed handgun license issued pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and who has stored their handgun in a concealed area in their vehicle that is parked in a district-approved parking area and the handgun is not removed from the vehicle at time the person or their vehicle is on district property without the prior written permission of the superintendent, as required by Oklahoma law.

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2.0 LEGAL REFERENCE: 21 O.S. §§ 858, 1272, 1277, 1280.1, 1290.1 et seq.; 70 O.S. §§ 24-101.3, 24-102; 18 U.S.C., Section 921.3

3.0 CROSS REFERENCE: N/A

4.0 REVISION HISTORY:

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Description of Revision:</u>
9-13-11	A	Adopted (<i>BP-7003 Firearms and Weapons</i> and <i>BP-10009 Possession of Lethal Weapons or Firearms – Students</i> combined into this policy, which includes changes made by House Bill 1652 (2011, effective November 1, 2011).)

5.0 PCF FRAMEWORK #: 10.1.1 Determine applicable federal, state, and local regulatory requirements

***** End of Policy *****