Firearms Prohibited

No person on grounds of the schools controlled by the board (including in school buildings), will possess any firearm\(^1\), except when said firearm is possessed by a person who is not otherwise prohibited from possessing the firearm, and is unloaded and locked in a motor vehicle. The exception provided in Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 166.370(3)(g) for concealed carry licensees (see ORS 166.291 and 166.292) does not apply to the possession of firearms on grounds of the schools controlled by the board.\(^2\) Firearms under the control of law enforcement personnel are permitted. The superintendent may authorize other persons to possess weapons for courses, programs and activities when in compliance with law and board policy.

Any person violating or threatening to violate the above rules, as determined by the district, may be issued a trespass citation, ejected from the premises and referred to law enforcement officials\(^3\).

The district will post clearly visible sign(s) at all normal points of entry to the school grounds subject to this policy indicating that the affirmative defense described in ORS 166.370(3)(g) does not apply. The district will post on the district’s web pages designated for school board operations, identifying designated school grounds that are subject to this policy.

END OF POLICY

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Legal Reference(s):

ORS 161.015  
ORS 164.245  
ORS 164.255  
ORS 166.210 - 166.370  
ORS 297.405  
ORS 332.107  
ORS 332.172  
ORS 339.315  

Senate Bill 554 (2021).

Cross Reference(s):

KG - Community Use of District Facilities  
KGB - Public Conduct on District Property  
KI - Public Solicitation in District Facilities  
KK - Visitors to Schools and Properties

\(^1\) “Firearm” has the meaning given that term in ORS 166.210, except that it does not include a firearm that has been rendered permanently inoperable.  

\(^2\) See Senate Bill 554 (2021).  

\(^3\) ORS 339.315 requires any district employee with reasonable cause to believe that a person is in possession of a firearm within a school or has possessed a firearm within a school in violation of Oregon law in the previous 120 days report such information to an administrator or law enforcement. A district employee with reasonable cause to believe that a person is in possession of a firearm within a school or has possessed a firearm within a school in the previous 120 days in violation of Oregon law, may report such information to law enforcement.