



FIREARMS IN SCHOOLS

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The Mountain Brook Board of Education is in compliance with the Federal Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994 and the Code of Alabama Section 13A-11-72 (d) 1975. In keeping with state and federal law, all persons other than authorized law enforcement personnel are prohibited from possessing any deadly weapon in the following circumstances:

- A. In any school building;
- B. On or near school grounds or property;
- C. On a school bus traveling to or from school or any school activity, function, or event, or any other school-sanctioned or authorized vehicle for transportation.

For the purposes of this policy, the term “weapon” is a firearm as defined in Section 921 of Title 18 of the United States Code and includes guns and other explosive or incendiary devices.

Weapons Facsimiles and Replicas

Nonworking facsimiles and replicas of weapons, including guns which shoot pellets, and other similar objects are prohibited on or near school buildings, in school buses, and in private student vehicles on school grounds. If the object cannot be reasonably be considered a “deadly” weapon,” but still could create anxiety, panic, police intervention and disruption of school by their appearance, school officials will consider the nature of the object and the context of its use or display in classifying the offense and assigning consequences.

Sanctions

I. Students

State and federal laws require that a student who violates this policy shall be expelled from school for a period of not less than one year and that only the Superintendent of Schools shall have the authority to modify such action on a case by case basis.

In compliance with federal law, any student who brings a weapon to school in violation of this policy shall be referred to the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system.

II. Employees

Sanctions against employees for violation of this policy may include suspension or termination of employment.

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