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QUESTIONING STUDENTS Interrogations By School Officials	Administrators, teachers, and other professional personnelDIS- TRICT OFFICIALS may question a student regarding the student's own conduct or the conduct of other students. In the context of school discipline, students MAY NOT REFUSE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS BASED ON Ahave no claim to the-right not to incrim- inate themselves.
By Police or Other Authorities	For provisions pertaining to student questioning by law enforce- ment officials or other STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL authorities, see GRA(LOCAL).
DISTRICT PROPERTY Lockers and Vehicles	Students have full responsibility for the security of their DESKS, lockers, DISTRICT-PROVIDED TECHNOLOGY, AND SIMILAR ITEMS ARE THE and for vehicles parked on school property of the District and <u>-It is the student's responsibility to ensure that</u> lockers and vehicles are locked and that the keys and combina- tions are PROVIDED FOR STUDENT USE AS A MATTER OF CONVENIENCE. DISTRICT PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO SEARCH OR INSPECTION AT ANY TIME WITHOUT NOTICE. STUDENTS HAVE NO EXPECTATION OF PRIVACY IN DIS- TRICT PROPERTY. not given to others. Students shall BE FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SECURITY AND CONTENTS OF DIS- TRICT PROPERTY ASSIGNED TO THEM. NO STUDENT SHALL not place OR ₇ keep IN A DESK, LOCKER, DISTRICT- PROVIDED TECHNOLOGY, OR SIMILAR ITEM <u>-or maintain</u> any article or material that is forbidden by District policy in lockers or in vehicles parked on school property.
	School officials may search lockers or vehicles parked on school property if there is reasonable cause to believe that they contain articles or materials prohibited by LAW, District policy, OR THE STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT. Students shall be responsible for any prohibited ITEMitems found in DISTRICT their lockers or in vehicles parked on school property PROVIDED TO THE STU- DENT.
SEARCHES IN GENERAL	DISTRICT OFFICIALS MAY CONDUCT SEARCHES OF STU- DENTS, THEIR BELONGINGS, AND THEIR VEHICLES IN AC- CORDANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW AND DISTRICT POLICY. SEARCHES OF STUDENTS SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN A REASONABLE AND NONDISCRIMINATORY MANNER.
	DISTRICT OFFICIALS MAY INITIATE A SEARCH IN ACCORD- ANCE WITH LAW, INCLUDING, FOR EXAMPLE, BASED ON REASONABLE SUSPICION, VOLUNTARY CONSENT, OR PUR-

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	SUANT TO DISTRICT POLICY PROVIDING FOR SUSPICION- LESS SECURITY PROCEDURES, INCLUDING THE USE OF METAL DETECTORS.
	IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT, STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROHIBITED ITEMS FOUND IN THEIR POSSESSION, INCLUDING ITEMS IN THEIR PERSONAL BELONGINGS OR IN VEHICLES PARKED ON DIS- TRICT PROPERTY.
REASONABLE- SUSPICION SEARCHES	SEARCHES SHOULD BE REASONABLE AT THEIR INCEPTION AND IN SCOPE. IF THERE IS REASONABLE SUSPICION TO BELIEVE THAT SEARCHING A STUDENT'S PERSON, BE- LONGINGS, OR VEHICLE WILL REVEAL EVIDENCE OF A VIO- LATION OF THE STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT, A DISTRICT OFFICIAL MAY CONDUCT A SEARCH IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW AND DISTRICT REGULATIONS.
SUSPICIONLESS SEARCHES	FOR PURPOSES OF THIS POLICY, A SUSPICIONLESS SEARCH IS A SEARCH CARRIED OUT BASED ON LAWFUL SECURITY PROCEDURES, SUCH AS METAL DETECTOR SEARCHES.
METAL DETECTOR SEARCHES	IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A SAFE AND DISCIPLINED LEARN- ING ENVIRONMENT, THE DISTRICT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SUBJECT STUDENTS TO METAL DETECTOR SEARCHES WHEN ENTERING A DISTRICT CAMPUS AND AT OFF-CAM- PUS, SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES.
	If a vehicle subject to search is locked, the student shall be asked to unlock the vehicle. If the student refuses, the District shall con- tact the student's parents. If the parents also refuse to permit a search of the vehicle, the District may turn the matter over to local law enforcement officials.
Use of Trained Dogs	The District RESERVES THE RIGHT TO shall use specially trained nonaggressive dogs to CONDUCT SCREENING FOR sniff out and alert officials to the current presence of concealed prohibited items. , illicit substances defined in FNCF(LEGAL), and alcohol. This pro- gram is implemented in response to drug- and alcohol-related problems in District schools, with the objective of maintaining a safe school environment conducive to education.
	Such PROCEDURES visits to schools shall be unannounced. The dogs shall be used to sniff vacant classrooms, vacant common arcas, the areas around student lockers, and the areas around vehicles parked on school property. The dogs shall not be used with students; HOWEVER, STUDENTS MAY BE ASKED TO LEAVE

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	PERSONAL BELONGINGS IN AN AREA THAT WILL BE SCREENED.= If a dog alerts to AN ITEM a locker, a vehicle, or an AREAitem in a classroom, it may be searched by DISTRICT OFFI- CIALS school officials. Searches of vehicles shall be conducted as described above.
Notice	At the beginning of the school year, the District shall inform stu- dents of the District's policy on searches, as outlined above, and shall specifically notify students that:0)
	 Lockers may be sniffed by trained dogs at any time.
	 Vehicles parked on school property may be sniffed by trained dogs at any time.
	 Classrooms and other common areas may be sniffed by trained dogs at any time when students are not present.
	 If contraband of any kind is found, the possessing student shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action in accord- ance with the Student Code of Conduct.
Parent Notification	The student's parent or guardian shall be notified if any prohibited articles or materials are found in a student's locker, in a student's vehicle parked on school property, or on the student's person, as a result of a search conducted in accordance with this policy.
Use of Hand-Held Metal Detectors	The Board authorizes the use of hand-hold metal detectors by school administrators at the off-campus disciplinary alternative od- ucation program (DAEP) when there is reasonable cause to be- lieve that weapons or dangerous metal objects are in the posses- sion of a student. Students shall be informed of the use of hand- held metal detectors for searches through the Student Code of Conduct and by signs posted throughout school campuses. Searches shall be systematic; shall not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, or ethnicity; and shall be done in compliance with the following procedures:
	 The hand-held metal detector search shall be conducted by the principal or assistant principal in the presence of another adult witness, preferably in a private location.
	 If the detector used on a student registers the presence of a metal object, the student shall be asked to remove all metal objects from his or her possession and shall be checked again.
	 If after removal of all metal objects, the detector continues to register the presence of metal, the student shall be taken to
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an area out of view from other students for a "pat-down" search.

- 4. The "pat-down" soarch shall be conducted by school personnel of the same gender as the student and shall be limited to the student's clothing, bags, parcels, and any other containers capable of containing a weapon.
- 5. If the school personnel conducting a "pat-down" search feels an object that may have activated the metal detecting device, the student will be asked to remove such object. If the student declines to remove the object, it may then be removed by school personnel.
- 6. If the object removed from the student could have activated the metal detector, the school personnel will cease performing the "pat-down" search. In such an event, the student will again be scanned with a hand-held metal detector and the "pat-down" search will continue only if the device again yields a positive reading.
- 7. All property removed from the student as a result of the above procedure that may legitimately be brought onto school premises, shall be returned to the student.
- 8. Property removed from the student, possession of which is a violation of the policy on disciplino and student rights, shall be confiscated, and the student shall be disciplined in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

Students who fail to cooperate with school personnel performing their duties under these procedures may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

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