

WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT

STUDENTS WELFARE/DISCIPLINE Weapons

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No one shall possess a dangerous weapon on school property, school buses, or at any school-related event. Weapons are defined in two categories: (1) Items used or designed to inflict bodily harm and/or to intimidate other persons. Examples include, but are not limited to, firearms, BB-guns, look-alike weapons, knuckles, razors, switchblades/butterfly knives, chains, clubs, stars, pepper spray, etc. (2) Items designed for other purposes, but which in the manner such articles are used or intended to be used, are calculated to inflict bodily harm and/or intimidate. Examples include, but are not limited to: belts, combs, pencils, files, compasses, aerosol sprays, scissors, etc.

RULE

Students violating this policy on possession of dangerous weapons are subject to disciplinary action that may include immediate suspension and/or recommendation for expulsion. The Director of Pupil Services shall be notified of the possession of dangerous weapons and a pre-expulsion hearing may be convened before the student is re-admitted.

No student may possess a firearm while at school or under the supervision of a school authority.

Under this policy, the term firearm is defined by federal law and means: (1) any weapon (including a starter gun) which will or is designed to or may readily convert to expel a projectile by an action of an explosive; (2) the frame or receiver of any such weapon; (3) any firearm muffler or firearm silencer; and (4) any destructive device.

Any student found in violation of this policy will be suspended from school. Further, any student found in violation of this policy will be expelled from school for not less than one year. The Board may modify this expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis. Any student found in violation of this policy shall also be referred to law enforcement or juvenile authorities.

The Director of Pupil Services will be responsible for maintaining records, which detail the circumstances of expulsions for possession of a firearm for each school in the District.

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