

**Board Policy Manual
Perris Union High School District**

Regulation 5131.7: Weapons and Dangerous Instruments

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Prohibited weapons and dangerous instruments include, but are not limited to: (Education Code- ~~48915,-49330~~; Penal Code- ~~626.10, 16100-17350~~17360, 30310)

1. ~~1.~~ Firearms: pistols, revolvers, shotguns, rifles, machine guns, "zip guns," "stun guns," tasers, cane guns, camouflaging firearms, and any other device from which is expelled through a barrel and capable of propelling a projectile by the force of an explosion or other form of combustion
2. ~~2.~~ Ammunition or reloaded ammunition
3. ~~3.~~ Knives, razor blades, and box cutters: any dirks, daggers (or concealed dirks or daggers), cane swords, ice picks, or other weapons with a fixed, sharpened blade fitted primarily for stabbing, weapons with a blade fitted primarily for stabbing, weapons with a blade longer than ~~2~~3-1/2 inches, folding knives with a blade that locks into place, switchblade knives, and razors with an unguarded blade
4. ~~4.~~ Explosive and/or incendiary devices: pipe bombs, time bombs, rockets or rocket propelled projectile launchers, cap guns, bullets containing or carrying an explosive agent, containers of inflammable fluids, and other hazardous devices or concealed explosive substances
5. ~~5.~~ Any instrument that expels a metallic projectile, such as a BB or a pellet, through the force of air pressure, carbon dioxide pressure, or spring action, or any spot marker gun
6. ~~6.~~ Any other dangerous device, instrument, or weapon, including those defined in Penal Code ~~12020~~ 16000-34370, including a blackjack, slingshot, billy, nunchaku, sand club, sandbag, metal knuckles, or any metal plate with three or more radiating points with one or more sharp edges designed for use as a weapon
7. ~~7.~~ Any imitation firearm, defined as a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm

Any employee may take any weapon or dangerous instrument from the personal possession of a student while the student is on school premises or under the authority of the district. (Education Code- ~~49331,-49332~~)
(cf. ~~5145.12~~ – Search and Seizure)

In determining whether to take possession of the weapon or dangerous instrument, the employee shall use ~~his/her~~ the employee's own judgment as to the dangerousness of the situation and, based upon this analysis, shall take one of the following actions:

1. ~~1.~~ Confiscate the object and deliver it to the principal immediately
2. ~~2.~~ Immediately notify the principal, who shall take appropriate action
3. ~~3.~~ Immediately notify the local law enforcement agency and the principal

~~(cf. 0450 – Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 3515.3 – District/Police Security Department)
(cf. 4158/4258/4358 – Employee Security)~~

When informing the principal about the possession of a weapon or dangerous instrument, the employee shall report the name(s) of persons involved, witnesses, location, and the circumstances of the possession.

The principal shall report any possession of a weapon or dangerous instrument to the student's parents/guardians by telephone or in person, and shall follow this notification with a letter.

The employee shall retain possession of the instrument until the risk of its use as a weapon has dissipated or, upon the request of the student's parent/guardian, until the parent/guardian appears and personally takes possession. ~~(Education Code 49331, 49332)~~

Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State

Ed. Code 35291

Description

~~Governing board to prescribe rules for discipline of the schools~~ Governing board to prescribe rules for discipline of the schools

Ed. Code 48902

~~Mandatory notification of law enforcement authorities~~ Mandatory notification of law enforcement authorities

Ed. Code 48915

~~Required recommendation for expulsions~~ Required recommendation for expulsions

Ed. Code 48916	Readmission Readmission
Ed. Code 48980	Parent/Guardian notifications Parent/Guardian notifications
Ed. Code 49330-49335	Injurious objects Injurious objects
Ed. Code 49390-49395	Homicide threats Homicide threats
Pen. Code 16100-17360	Definitions Definitions
Pen. Code 22810-23025	Tear gas weapon (pepper spray) Tear gas weapon (pepper spray)
Pen. Code 245	Assault with deadly weapon Assault with deadly weapon
Pen. Code 25200-25225	Firearms; access to children Firearms; access to children
Pen. Code 30310	Prohibition against ammunition on school grounds Prohibition against ammunition on school grounds
Pen. Code 417.4	Imitation firearm; drawing or exhibiting Imitation firearm; drawing or exhibiting
Pen. Code 626.10	Dirks, daggers, knives, razor or stun gun; bringing or possessing in school Dirks, daggers, knives, razor or stun gun; bringing or possessing in school
Pen. Code 626.9	Gun-Free School Zone Act of 1995 Gun-Free School Zone Act of 1995
Federal	Description
20 USC 6301-8961	No Child Left Behind Act No Child Left Behind Act
20 USC 7961	Gun-Free Schools Act Gun-Free Schools Act
6 USC 665k	Federal Clearinghouse on School Safety Evidence-Based Practices Federal Clearinghouse on School Safety Evidence-Based Practices
Management Resources	Description
CSBA Publication	Safe Schools: Strategies for Governing Boards to Ensure Student Success, Third Edition, October 2011 Safe Schools: Strategies for Governing Boards to Ensure Student Success, Third Edition, October 2011
U.S. Department of Education Publication	Guidance Concerning State and Local Responsibilities Under the Gun-Free Schools Act, 2018 Guidance Concerning State and Local Responsibilities Under the Gun-Free Schools Act, 2018
Website	U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Fusion Centers U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Fusion Centers
Website	California State Threat Assessment System California State Threat Assessment System
Website	CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services
Website	U.S. Department of Education, Safe Schools U.S. Department of Education, Safe Schools

Website	National Alliance for Safe Schools National Alliance for Safe Schools
Website	National School Safety Center National School Safety Center
Website	U.S. Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools U.S. Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools
Website	California Department of Education, Safe Schools California Department of Education, Safe Schools
Website	CSBA CSBA

Cross References

Code	Description
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan Comprehensive Safety Plan
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1313	Civility Civility
3515	Campus Security Campus Security
3515	Campus Security Campus Security
3515.3	District Police/Security Department District Police/Security Department
3515.3	District Police/Security Department District Police/Security Department
3515.31	School Resource Officers School Resource Officers
3515.7	Firearms On School Grounds Firearms On School Grounds
3516.2	Bomb Threats Bomb Threats
4158	Employee Security Employee Security
4158	Employee Security Employee Security
4258	Employee Security Employee Security
4258	Employee Security Employee Security
4358	Employee Security Employee Security
4358	Employee Security Employee Security
5116.1	Intradistrict Open Enrollment Intradistrict Open Enrollment
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5125	Student Records Student Records
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5131	Conduct Conduct
5131.41	Use Of Seclusion And Restraint Use Of Seclusion And Restraint
5136	Gangs Gangs
5136	Gangs Gangs
5137	Positive School Climate Positive School Climate
5137	Positive School Climate Positive School Climate

5138	Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation
5141.4	Child Abuse Prevention And Reporting Child Abuse Prevention And Reporting
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5144	Discipline Discipline
5144	Discipline Discipline
5144.1	Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process
5144.1	Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process
5144.2	Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process (Students With Disabilities) Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process (Students With Disabilities)
5145.12	Search And Seizure Search And Seizure
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6184	Continuation Education Continuation Education
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