

## POLICY 5.30 WEAPONS

The Board recognizes its responsibility to provide a secure and safe environment for members of the school community. The Board considers the possession or use of a weapon on or near school property or during school-sponsored functions and activities as a serious threat to the safety and security of students and staff and strictly prohibits it.

Any student found to have used or be in possession of a weapon will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action and/or criminal charges.

### **Definitions:**

"Weapon" means anything used, designed to be used or intended for use in causing death or injury to any person, or for the purpose of threatening or intimidating any person. This includes any firearm, whether loaded or unloaded; replicas and toys; any chemical or substance; or a device or instrument designed to be used or intended for use in causing death or bodily harm.