

STUDENT CONDUCT

Possession or Use of Weapons

Instruments and devices that may be considered a weapon under policy EH but are specifically authorized by District personnel for use in an approved curricula or extra-curricula activity and are used in the appropriate manner are exempt under this policy.

Any student who knowingly aids, accompanies and/or assists in the violation of this policy EH shall also be deemed in violation of this policy and shall be subject to discipline in the same manner as any student who directly violates this policy.

Possession of a firearm shall result in a one-year suspension. For possession of other weapons under this policy, a suspension may be assigned for not less than the balance of the term in which the infraction occurred. If the remainder of the term is less than forty-five school days, a suspension may be assigned for the balance of the term and the next term.

When a student is suspected of violating Board Policy EH, the following procedure shall be followed:

1. The school principal or his designee shall contact Putnam City Campus Police to have an officer present if possible when confronting the suspected student.
2. The police officer shall take custody of all weapons confiscated from a student's possession.
3. The officer shall mark any weapon to ensure the chain of custody of the evidence to be exhibited at an administrative hearing and/or criminal action.

At the conclusion of any and all administrative hearings, appeals and appropriate criminal actions, the seized property shall be legally and properly disposed of by the Campus Police Acting Chief.

Written evidence that students have been notified of this policy should be on file at the school site for each student enrolled.

The administrators shall inform the Executive Director of Elementary or Secondary Education when administering discipline under this policy.

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I have read Putnam City Schools Board Policy EH – Student Conduct. In addition, I understand that violation of item #6 of this policy may result in suspension.

#6 of Policy EH states the following: Possessing; using; transferring possession of; or aiding, accompanying, or assisting another student to use any type of weapon, which includes but is not limited to: guns; rifles; pistols; shotguns; any device which throws, discharges, or fires objects, bullets, or shells; knives, explosive or incendiary devices, including fireworks; hand chains; metal knuckles; or any object that is used as a weapon or dangerous instrument; included in this prohibition is any facsimile or counterfeit weapon;

Date: _____

Please Print:

Student's Name: _____

Student's Address: _____

School Assigned: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____