# OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS 106 Hancock Road Peterborough, New Hampshire

#### CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

#### POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, October 4, 2022 6:00 PM Location: SAU Finch Conference Room

### **Agenda**

Committee Members: Crista Salamy (Chair), Tom Burgess, Katherine Heck, Kevin Pobst, Doug Sutherland

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Approval of the September 20, 2022 Minutes
- 3. Policy Review
  - BBBF: Student Board Members
  - EG: District Communication Plan
    - KDA: Public Information Program
    - KDCA: Student Involvement in Public Information Program
  - JFAM: Education of Military Children & Military Connected Students
  - JICA: Student Dress Code
  - JLCF: Wellness
  - KFA: Public Conduct on School Property
- 4. 2nd Read 9/20/22 School Board Agenda
  - FF: Naming of District Buildings and Facilities and Dedication of Areas
  - EBB: School Safety
  - JICI: Dangerous Weapons on School Property
- 5. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (If Required)
- 6. Policy Status Update:

### **Under review/revision by Administration:**

- IHBG: Home Education Instruction
- JJJ: Access to Public School by Nonpublic, Charter Schools, and Homeeducated Students
- JLDBB: Suicide Prevention and Response

### Under review by Legal:

• IHBAA: Evaluation requirements for Children

# **Under review by Education Committee:**

• IKL: Academic Integrity and Honesty

# **Under review by Budget and Property:**

- Capital Plan Policy
- DJ: Purchasing
- DJE: Bidding Requirements

# **Under review with Nurses:**

• JLCA: Physical Examination of Students

# **Future Agenda Items:**

- Fall Update Items
- JBAB: Transgender Students

	Student Board Members
Cate	egory: Recommended (for districts with high schools only)
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(a)	School districts may have had a "student board liaison," or a nonconforming student board member. Due to 2022 amendment to RSA 189:1-c, all districts must now comply with the requirements for student board members. Boards should check their current procedures regarding student board members and revise as necessary.
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A.	General Policy. [Include only one of the italicized sections & remove italics]
	[Districts with only one high school]
	The Board will have [one] student school board member from High School.
	[Districts with more than one high school] <sup>2</sup>
	The Board will have [one] student school board member from each public high school maintained by the District.

Student School Board members ("Student-members") will not have the right to vote and will be excluded from all non-public sessions the Board enters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> [Delete fn.] Board may determine to have more than one student member as RSA 189:1-c requires at least one student member.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$ [Delete fn.] RSA 189:1-c now requires the board to <u>have at least one</u> student board member from EACH high school maintained by the district.

### **Student Board Members**

### B. Election and Term of Student School Board-Members.

Student-members will serve one-year terms, beginning on \_\_/\_ of each year. [3delete fn.]

Student-members will be chosen by a majority vote of the high school student body under procedures for nomination and election established by the student government of the high school.

### C. Responsibilities of Student Government.

The student government of the high school shall establish procedures for:

- 1. The nomination and election of Student-member candidates;
- 2. Any public high school student in the school district to petition the Student-member to present proposals and opinions to the School Board;
- 3. Filling any vacancy that may occur in the Student-member position from that school.

### D. Student-Member Expectations.

Under RSA 194:23-f, IV, Student-members are expected to:

- 1. Attend all School Board meetings;
- 2. Represent all high school students within the District;
- 3. Present to the School Board specific proposals and ideas from the high school student body;
- 4. Serve as a liaison between students, District staff, and the Board;
- 5. Keep the student body informed of Board business and actions; and
- 6. Comply with all Board policies relative to students and Board members, when applicable.

### E. Oversight.

The Superintendent shall assure building principals coordinate with student council advisors to ensure the student council is aware of the requirements of Section D, above. above.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> [Delete fn.] Under 189:1-c, the School Board decides the date when the term of the student board member shall begin. Because RSA 194:23-f, III requires terms of 1 year, most districts have cycles that begin/end with elections at or near end of the school year.

### **Student Board Members**

Other district policy history:	27	

### Legal References:

RSA 189:1-c, School Board Student Member RSA 194:23-f, High School Student as a Board Member

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NHSBA history: Revised - Aug. 2022; New policy - 2009

NHSBA revision notes, August 2022, this policy was revised in response to HB1381 (see 2022 N.H. Laws Ch. 195). Under the amendment, districts which have high schools are required at least one student board member from each district high school within the district. Previously, boards were permitted, but not required to have such members, and districts with more than one high school could establish a rotation between or among the schools. NHSBA also added Sections B and C of this policy to include the statutory requirements under RSA 189:1-c and RSA 194:23-f relative to selection, duties and terms of student board members.

w/p-update/2022-U2 Fall/BBBF Student Board Members - 2022-U2 (F)

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# **District Communication Plan**

Category: Recommended

Related Policies: BHC/GBD, EBB, EBCA, EBCD, GBEAA, IJO/KA, JRB, KCB, KD, KDC, KE & KEB Related procedural document: EG-R

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- A. <u>Purpose</u>. The Board's objective is to improve internal and external communications by providing clarity and consistency in school communications amongst stakeholders. This policy will guide the creation of a District Communication Plan ("Communication Plan").
- B. Plan Preparation and Contents. The Board directs the [Superintendent/Communication Committee or other personnel/committee] to prepare a Communications Plan that addresses at least the following:
  - 1. <u>Plan goals and general provisions</u> identifies the general goals of the Plan, identifies the multiple audiences/recipients of District communication, and identifies the available methods and modes of communication with some consideration of the pros and cons of each.
  - 2. <u>Implementation</u> describes how components of the Plan will be implemented and will specify which staff members are responsible.
  - 3. <u>Communication to Internal Stakeholders</u> describes how to best communicate general or specific information to staff, students, and volunteers.
  - 4. <u>Communication to External Stakeholders</u> describes how to best communicate with external stakeholders (i.e., parents, the community, parent groups, other districts, etc.).

### **District Communication Plan**

- 5. <u>Crisis Communications Plan</u> coordinates the Communication Plan to the relevant provisions of the <u>District Crisis Prevention and Response Plan</u> and site-specific Emergency Operations Plans prepared under Board policy \*\*\* EBCA, including staff responsibilities, training requirements, communication tools, media plans, and message-specific templates.
- 6. School Cancellations outlines protocols for communicating a school day cancellation, delay, or early release due to inclement weather or other emergency reasons as provided by Board policy/ies \*\*\* EBCD [and \*\*\* EBCE [2 Delete fn.]].
- 7. <u>Off-campus School activities</u> outlines how to best communicate incidents or emergencies that occur while students are off campus on field trips or travel sporting events (i.e., anywhere that students are transported by the District).
- 8. <u>Recommendations</u> outlines suggestions and recommendations relating to infrastructure or resources for future improvements to communication channels.
- 9. Other Such other information, recommendation and provisions the [Superintendent, deemed appropriate.

### **Biennial Review and Update**

The Superintendent and/or designee shall ensure that the Communication Plans and all procedures and protocols adopted pursuant to this policy are reviewed no less than every two (2) years and updated as necessary. Copies of the updated Plan and procedures should be provided to the Board no later than the start of each school year.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> [Delete fn.] NHSBA sample policy EBCA directs the creation of a coordinated "District-wide Crisis Prevention and Emergency Response Plan", which, among other things, includes each of the statutorily required site-specific Emergency Operations Plans (see RSA 189:64). Districts which do not adopt EBCA nonetheless must file annual site specific Emergency Operation Plans, which include some provisions relating to communications in event of certain emergencies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> [Delete fn.] EBCE was withdrawn from the NHSBA sample policy manual and combined with EBCD. District can leave in if not withdrawing EBCE.

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NHSBA history: New policy August 2022.

NHSBA notes, August 2022, On the heels of the COVID-19 pandemic and in the presence of ever evolving modes of communication, districts should strongly consider adopting a communications plan to guide school administrators and provide information to stakeholders. NHSBA created this sample policy to provide guidance on the creation of such a plan and indicate what districts may consider including in their plan. NHSBA also created a sample template plan, EG-R, to supplement this policy. In conjunction with release of this sample EG, NHSBA withdrew prior sample policy KDA which addressed generally many of the provisions which are to be included in the District Communication Plan.

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# KDA - Public Information Program

The School Board will do its best to keep the people informed of the affairs of the district. To achieve its goals for good school-community relations and maintenance of open two-way channels of communication with public, the Board authorizes the Superintendent to:

- 1. Prepare or guide the preparation of informational materials including the annual report, newsletters, articles for periodicals, newspapers and/or radio releases and other appropriate media, special pamphlets and other assigned material, and to maintain close liaison with news media and publicity organizations.
- 2. Provide staff members with resources for preparation of material for community and staff distribution to include but not be limited to the district website, handbooks, information leaflets, etc.
- 3. Organize or assist in development of speakers' bureaus and speaking engagements with civic, PTA/PTO, church, and other groups.
- 4. Assist in coordinating work with civic and other groups which support the school system.
- 5. Information published by the District, individual school, employee organizations or unions, recognized parent/teacher groups, or non-school groups which advocates a particular position on bond issues, political matters, labor relations issues, or District budgets will not be distributed through the use of students as couriers.

The Board expects that "affairs of the district" will include by not be limited to school performance, student progress, personalized learning strategies, and academic opportunities.

### Legal References:

NH Code of Administration Rules, Section Ed. 306.04(a)(11), Policy Development NH Code of Administration Rules, Section Ed. 306.04(k), Policy Development

Category: R See also KA

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< KD -- Official School District Social Media Accounts, Websites, and Platforms Used for Public Information

# KDCA - Student Involvement in Public Information Program

(https://schoolboard.convalsd.net/district-policies/k-school-community-relations/kdca-student-involvement-in-public-information-program/)

# KDCA – Student Involvement in Public Information Program

One of the strongest links of communications between the District and the public is the pupil in the classroom. Failure to provide parents with appropriate information may lead to misinformation about the schools.

It is the responsibility of the school administration to see that information regarding school activities, programs, and organizations is properly disseminated to parents.

The school administration shall take reasonable steps to ensure that the use of students as couriers is limited to carrying information about the school system, or a particular school, except as specifically provided in the following paragraph. School information may include publications, newsletters, notices, or other printed matter published under the name of the District, the individual school, or the recognized parent/teacher group.

Students may serve as couriers for information generated by non-school organizations, subject to the following conditions: (1) the information clearly states that it is not school-sponsored, (2) the sponsor of the information/activity is a non-profit organization and the activity is student-related, (3) the School Board, or the Superintendent, reserves the right to refuse any request for distribution of such information, on a case-by-case basis, and (4) the distribution of such information is subject to prior approval by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

Information published by the District, individual school, employee organizations or unions, recognized parent/teacher groups, or non-school groups which advocates a particular position on bond issues, political matters, labor relations issues, or District budgets will not be distributed through the use of students as couriers.

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< KDA - Public Information Program

KE - Public Complaints (https://schoolboard.convalsd.net/district-policies/k-school-community-relations/ke-public-complaints/)

Category: Recommended Related Policies: JF, JFA, JFAA, JH, JJA,
JLCB & JLD

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### A. Statement of Purpose and Definition.

It is the Board's intent to remove barriers to the identification, enrollment, retention, and support in schools of military-connected students.

"Military-connected student" as used in this policy includes any student who is a dependent of a current or former member of:

- 1. The US military serving in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Space Force, or Coast Guard on active duty as defined in RSA 110-D:3: [1] May leave or delete fn.];
- 2. NH National Guard;
- 3. A reserve force of the US military;
- 4. A member of such military or reserve force killed in the line of duty; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> [May leave or delete fn.] Pursuant to RSA 110-D:3, "active duty" includes: (1) members of the uniformed services as defined in this compact, including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active duty orders pursuant to 10 U.S.C. section 1209 and 1211; (2) members or veterans of the uniformed services who are severely injured and medically discharged or retired for a period of one year after medical discharge or retirement; and (3) members of the uniformed services who die on active duty or as a result of injuries sustained on active duty for a period of one year after death.

5. By implication all children defined as "children of military families" as defined in RSA 110-D:3, III.

### B. Residency.

A student shall be considered a resident of the school district if they are a military-connected student whose parent is transferred or is pending transfer to a military installation within New Hampshire while on active military duty pursuant to an official military order. See RSA 193:12, III-a.

Parents of military-connected students shall provide proof of residence in the school district within 10 days after the published arrival date provided on official documentation. Parents of such military-connected students may use the below addresses to establish residency:

- 1. a temporary on-base billeting facility;
- 2. a purchased or leased home or apartment; or
- 3. federal government or public-private venture off-base military housing.

# C. Admission & Enrollment. [2 Delete fn.]

For incoming military-connected students, the District will:

- 1. Enroll and appropriately place students based on unofficial records, pending validation by official records. RSA 110-D:5, I.
- 2. Request the student's official education records from the student's previous school. Sending schools shall send records within 10 days. RSA 110-D:5, II.
- 3. Enroll students in the grade level commensurate with their grade level from their previous school at the time of transition, regardless of age. RSA 110-D:5, IV. See also paragraphs D.1-2, below.
- 4. Obtain required immunization records within 30 days from the date of enrollment. RSA 110-D:5, III.
- 5. Facilitate the opportunity for inclusion in cocurricular activities, regardless of application deadlines, to the extent the students are otherwise qualified and eligible. RSA 110-D:7, II.

For a transitioning military-connected student, who while residing with the custodial parent was a student in a District school, who as part of the transition is placed in the care of a noncustodial parent or other person standing in loco parentis who lives in another district or jurisdiction than that of the custodial parent, the student may continue to attend the same school in this District tuition free. *RSA* 110-D:7, *I*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> [Delete fn.] Districts that have designated one or more of its schools as "open enrollment schools" under the provisions of RSA 194-D should review additional provisions of that chapter as they pertain to military-connected students and open enrollment. See 2022 N.H. Laws §310:7

# D. Support for military-connected students and families. [3 Delete fn.]

Upon notification of a student's military-connected status or upon request of the parent, the district (beginning no later than school year 2023-24) will provide appropriate support services to military-connected students whose parent or guardian is being called to or is serving on active duty. These support services will include, without limitation,

- access to licensed counseling services;
- information regarding existing federal and state military support services;
- any other service, agency, or resource necessary to support or provide assistance to the student.

### E. Placement of transferring military-connected students.

When a military-connected student transfers to the District before or during the school year, the District will:

- 1. Honor student placement in educational courses based on the student's enrollment in their previous school and/or educational assessments conducted at their previous school. The Principal/Superintendent may direct that the student undergo subsequent evaluations to ensure appropriate placement and continued enrollment of the student in the course(s) and may waive course/program prerequisites or other preconditions. RSA 110-D:6, I.
- 2. Honor student placement in educational programs based on current educational assessments conducted at the student's previous school. Such programs include, but are not limited to, gifted and talented programs, remedial services, English Language Learner (ELL). This does not preclude the school, as directed by the Principal, from performing subsequent evaluations to ensure appropriate placement of the student. *RSA 110-D:6, II.*
- 3. Initially provide comparable services to a student with disabilities based on their current Individualized Education Program (IEP) and will make reasonable accommodations and modifications to address the needs of the incoming student with disabilities. This does not preclude the District from performing subsequent evaluations to ensure appropriate placement of the student. RSA 110-D:6, III; 20 U.S.C.A. § 1400; 29 U.S.C.A. § 794; 42 U.S.C.A. §\$12131-12165.

### F. Absences.

A military-connected student whose parent or legal guardian has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or immediately returned from deployment to a combat zone or a combat support posting, shall be granted additional excused absences at the discretion of the Superintendent to visit with their parent or legal guardian relative to such leave or deployment of the parent or guardian. RSA 110-D:6, V.

The Superintendent or designee may require that the absence be pre-approved and may consider whether the student is in good standing, if the student has a prior record of good attendance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> [Delete fn.] Pursuant to HB 1653 (2022 N.H. Laws Ch. 310), support services for military-connected students must be in place by the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year.

### G. Graduation

In order to facilitate the on-time graduation of children of military families (RSA 110-D:8):

- The Superintendent will waive specific courses required for graduation if similar course
  work has been satisfactorily completed in another local education agency and will provide
  reasonable justification for denial. If the Superintendent does not grant the waiver to a
  student who would qualify to graduate from their previous school, the District will provide
  an alternate means of acquiring the required coursework so that graduation may occur on
  time.
- 2. If a military-connected student transfers at the beginning or during their senior year and is ineligible to graduate from the District but would be eligible in their previous district, and after all alternatives have been considered, the previous and current District will coordinate the receipt of a diploma from the previous district.

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### Legal References:

RSA 110-D, Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children

RSA 110-E, Military-Connected Students

RSA 193:12, III-a Legal Residence Required

RSA 194-D, XI Open Enrollment Schools

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NHSBA revision notes, August 2022, created policy to reflect both provisions of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (RSA 110-D), and of HB 1653 (2022 N.H. Laws Ch. 310), pertaining to "military connected students."

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# JICA - Student Dress Code

The ConVal School Board recognizes that student individual dress is primarily a parental responsibility that should reflect concern for health and safety of students, staff, and others. When the dress of an individual student constitutes a health problem, is unsuitable for school wear, is a danger to any person, or causes a substantial and material disruption or substantial disturbance, the principal shall take appropriate action to correct the situation.

Building Principals are authorized to issue regulations consistent with this policy and developed collaboratively to provide on appropriate level of consistency throughout the District. Such regulations should be approved by the Superintendent of Schools or designee.

Category: R

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< JIC - Student Conduct

JICC - Student Conduct On School Buses (https://schoolboard.convalsd.net/district-policies/j-students/jicc-student-conduct-on-school-buses/)

### STUDENT DRESS CODE

Category: Optional Related Policies: JIC

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The Board recognizes that student individual dress is primarily a parental responsibility that should reflect concern for health and safety of students, staff and others. When the dress of an individual student constitutes a health problem, is unsuitable for school wear, is a danger to any person, or causes a substantial and material disruption or substantial disturbance, the principal shall take appropriate action to correct the situation.

The dress code within each school shall be administered fairly, consistently, and equally to all students. The dress code shall not be enforced in a manner that discriminates against a particular viewpoint or results in a disproportionate application of the dress code relative to students' gender, gender identity, sexuality, race, ethnicity, household income, or body type or size.

Enforcement must accommodate clothing worn by students as an expression of religious beliefs (e.g., head scarves) and worn by students with disabilities (e.g., protective helmets). Enforcement shall not indirectly discriminate against students based on hair texture and or hairstyles, including, but not limited to, braids, locks, and twists.

<u>District Standards</u>: [1 Delete fn.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> [Delete fn.] A board may decide to either adopt district specific dress code standards or allow each school to adopt its own set of specific standards – ESPECIALLY for K-12 districts. The lists in this section are EXAMPLES of objective standards.

### STUDENT DRESS CODE

### A. Students must wear:

- 1. A Shirt/dress (with fabric in front, back, under the arms, with straps/sleeves and covering the mid-section);
- 2. Pants, skirt, leggings, shorts, etc.; and
- 3. Shoes.

### B. Students must not wear:

- 1. Tops that do not completely cover the mid-section;
- 2. Caps, hats, and other head gear;
- 3. Clothing depicting hate speech, offensive, vulgar, or racist language or pictures;
- 4. And clothing that glorifies, encourages or promotes the use of alcohol or drugs.

Building Principals shall assure that any District or School standards are included in the Student Handbook and otherwise communicated to students annually.

Notwithstanding District or School standards, some courses and school activities may require adjustments to attire and hairstyle or may require specific attire to ensure safety during academic activities (e.g., science labs or PE).

Students who violate this policy will be given an opportunity to correct the situation by either changing the clothing, removing the clothing (if appropriate), wearing it inside-out, or other means as determined by the principal so the student is in compliance with this policy. Students who repeatedly violate this policy may face more severe punishment, including detention, inschool suspension, or out-of-school suspension.

School staff shall not confront students on dress-code violations in a manner that unnecessarily disciplines or publicly shames the student. When a school staff member or school administrator discusses a dress code violation with a student, it is recommended that another adult should be present and at least one of the two adults should be the same sex as the student.

District Policy History:	
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Second reading/adopted:	Reviewed/reaffirmed:
Other district policy history:	

#### Legal References:

U.S. Constitution, 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment RSA 189:15, Regulations RSA 193:38, Discrimination in Public Schools

### STUDENT DRESS CODE

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NHSBA history: Revised Aug. 2022, Nov. 2007, Aug. 2006, Oct. 2004, Nov. 1999, July 1998

**NHSBA revision notes, Aug. 2022**, updated to include provisions intended to minimize discrimination against protected classes, and minimize risk of inadvertent, perceived or real harassment in the enforcement of such a code. Also recoded policy as optional.

w/p-update/2022-U2 Fall/JICA Dress Code 2022-U2 (F)

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# JLCF - Wellness

The Contoocook Valley School District is committed to providing a school environment that enhances learning and the development of lifelong wellness practices.

To accomplish these goals, the Board directs the administration to implement rules and regulations aimed at ensuring:

- Child Nutrition Programs will comply with federal, state, and local requirements, and will be accessible to all children.
- Sequential and interdisciplinary nutrition education will be provided and promoted.
- Patterns of meaningful physical activity that connect to students' lives outside of physical education will be encouraged.
- Physical education programs will meet federal and state regulations and standards.
- · School-based activities will be consistent with local wellness policy goals.
- All food made available on school grounds during school hours, including vending concessions, a' la carte, student stores, parties, and fund raising will be consistent with Competitive Food Guidelines for K-12 schools.
- At least 75% of all food made available on school grounds after school dismissal, including vending, concessions, a' la carte, student stores, parties, and fundraising will be consistent with the Competitive Food Guidelines for K-12 Schools.
- All beverages made available on school grounds, including vending concessions, a' la carte student stores, parties, and fund raising will be consistent with the Competitive Food Guidelines for K-12 Schools.
- All foods provided by the District will adhere to food safety and security guidelines.
- The school environment will be safe, pleasing, and comfortable, and will allow ample time and space for eating meals.
- Food will not be used as a reward or punishment, unless necessitated by a student's Individualized Education Plan/504 Plan.
- Implementation/monitoring of this policy will be reported to the School Board annually by the Superintendent's designee, with recommendations for guideline changes if necessary or appropriate.

# **Legal References:**

RSA 189:11-a, Food and Nutrition Programs

Section 204 of Public Law 108-265, Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004 NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 303.01 (g), Duties of School Boards NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 306.11, Food & Nutrition Services NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 306.40, Health Education Program NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 306.41, Physical Education Program FDA Food Code

Category: P

Adoption: May 17, 2011

Amended: February 5, 2013 Amended: February 4, 2014

# JLCEA - Use Of Automated External Defibrillator(s)

# JLCG - Exclusion of Students Who Present A Hazard

(https://schoolboard.convalsd.net/district-policies/jlcg-exclusion-of-students-who-present-a-hazard/)

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Category: Priority/Required by Law Related Policies: EF, IMAH, JLC & JLCI

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The Board recognizes the importance of proper nutrition and developmentally appropriate physical activity as ways of promoting healthy lifestyles, minimizing childhood obesity, and preventing other diet-related chronic diseases. The Board also recognizes that health and student success are interrelated. It is, therefore, the goal of the Board that the learning environment positively influences a student's understanding, beliefs, and habits as they relate to good nutrition and physical activity.

This policy outlines the District's approach to ensuring environments and opportunities for all students to practice healthy eating and physical activity behaviors throughout the school day while minimizing commercial distractions. This policy applies to all students, staff and schools in the District.

### I. <u>DISTRICT WELLNESS COMMITTEE</u>.

The Superintendent, in consultation with *[the Director of Food Services, other \_\_\_\_\_]*, will facilitate development of updates to the District Wellness Policy, subject to School Board approval, and will oversee compliance with the policy. In addition, the Superintendent shall designate a Building Wellness Coordinator for each school to help ensure compliance with this policy at the building level.

The Superintendent shall convene a representative "District Wellness Committee" (or "Wellness Committee"), whose functions will include review and recommendations regarding implementation

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of and updates to this policy, and establishment of specific goals for nutrition promotion, education and physical activity.<sup>1</sup>

The Superintendent or his/her designee shall serve as the Chairperson of the District Wellness Committee, and shall maintain an updated roster of Building Wellness Coordinators and other persons serving on the Committee.

The District Wellness Committee shall meet no less than three times per school year.

The District Wellness Committee should represent each school and the diversity of the community, and to the extent feasible include the Superintendent or her/his designee, [the Food Services Director/Director of School Nutrition \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_], each Building Wellness Coordinator, parents, students, physical education teachers, health education teachers, school counselors, school administrators, a school board member, outside health professionals, individual school building representatives, and members of the public.

Staff appointments to the Wellness Committee will be made by the Superintendent. The School Board Chair shall appoint the School Board member. Remaining members, other than those who are ex officio, shall be appointed and approved by the Wellness Committee.

As a statutory committee, the Wellness Committee shall comply with the requirements of RSA 91-A regarding meetings.

# II. WELLNESS POLICY IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING, ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

### A. Implementation Plan.

Each Building Wellness Coordinator, with the assistance of the Wellness Committee, will conduct a school level assessment based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's School Health Index, using tools available through such programs as the Alliance for a Healthier Generation *Healthy Schools Program*, and to create an action plan and generate an annual progress report. The school-level assessment/report should be completed by September 30<sup>th</sup> of each school year and provided to the Superintendent.

#### B. Annual Notification of Policy.

The District will annually inform families and the public of basic information about this policy, including its content, any updates to the policy, and implementation status. The District will make this information available via the district website. This information will include the contact information of the District official(s) chairing the Wellness Committee (i.e., the Superintendent or his/her designee) and any Building Wellness Coordinator(s), in addition to on how the public can get involved with the District Wellness Committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Districts with more than 1-2 schools might also consider building level wellness committees, to assist the district committee in the assessment & implementation functions. [Remove entire footnote before finalizing]

### C. Triennial Progress Assessments.

Every three years, the [Food Services Director/Director of School Nutrition \_\_\_\_\_] will assess:

- The extent to which each of the District's schools are in compliance with the wellness policy;
- The extent to which the District Wellness Policy compares to model wellness policies; and
- A description of the progress made in attaining the goals of the District's Wellness Policy.

The Wellness Committee will make recommendations to update the District Wellness Policy based on the results of the annual School Health Index and triennial assessments and/or as District priorities change; community needs change; wellness goals are met; new health science, information, and technology emerges; and new Federal or state guidance or standards are issued. The Board will review and act upon such assessments as required or as the Board deems appropriate.

### D. Recordkeeping.

The Superintendent will retain records related to this Policy, to include at least the following:

- The District Wellness Policy;
- The most recent assessment on the implementation of the local school wellness policy;
- Documentation on how the District Wellness Policy and Policy assessments are/were made available to the public;
- Documentation confirming annual compliance with the requirement that District Wellness Policy, including updates, and the most recent assessment on the implementation of the Policy have been made available to the public; and
- Documentation of efforts to review and update the District Wellness Policy; including who is/was involved in each update and methods the District uses to make stakeholders aware of opportunities to participate on the District Wellness Committee.

### E. Community Involvement, Outreach and Communications.

The District will communicate ways in which representatives of DWC and others can participate in the development, implementation and periodic review and update of the wellness policy through a variety of means appropriate for that district. The District will also inform parents/guardians of the improvements that have been made to school meals and compliance with school meal standards, availability of child nutrition programs and how to apply, and a description of and compliance with Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards.

### III. NUTRITION.

### A. School Meals.

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All schools within the District participate in USDA child nutrition programs, including the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the School Breakfast Program (SBP). District schools are committed to offering school meals that:

- Are accessible to all students:
- Are appealing and attractive to children;
- Are served in clean and pleasant settings;
- Promote healthy food and beverage choices; and
- Meet or exceed current nutrition requirements established by local, state, and Federal statutes and regulations. The District offers reimbursable school meals that meet USDA nutrition standards, which may be found at:

https://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/nutrition-standards-school-meals

### B. Staff Qualifications and Professional Development.

All school nutrition program directors, managers and staff will meet or exceed hiring and annual continuing education/training requirements in the USDA professional standards for school nutrition professionals, which may be found at:

https://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/professional-standards

### C. Water.

To promote hydration, free, safe, unflavored drinking water will be available to all students at every school [throughout the school day, including mealtimes,] {**OR**}[at all places and times that school meals are served mealtimes, at every school].<sup>2</sup>

Students shall be permitted to bring water bottles to school that:

- (1) Are made of material that is not easily breakable;
- (2) Have lids to prevent spills; and
- (3) Are filled exclusively with water

School Principals may discipline students for the misuse of water bottles, consistent with Board policy {\*\*} JICD.

#### D. Competitive Foods and Beverages and Marketing of Same in Schools.

"Competitive foods and beverages" (i.e., foods and beverages sold and served or marketed during the school day, but outside of the school meal programs) must meet the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards, which may be accessed at:

https://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/smart-snacks-school

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 requires that schools participating in the NSLP make potable (i.e. drinkable) water available at no charge to students in the places and times that school meals are served. Alliance for a Healthier Generation advocates that such water be available at all times during the school day. Districts are required only to meet the free water during meal time standard, but may adopt a more liberal one.

These standards will apply in all locations and through all services where foods and beverages are sold, which may include, but are not limited to, à la carte options in cafeterias and vending machines.

Except as may be provided elsewhere in this Policy, any foods and beverages marketed or promoted to students on the school campus during the school day will meet or exceed the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards. Food and beverage marketing is defined as advertising and other promotions in schools, including, but is not limited to:

- Brand names, trademarks, logos or tags, except when placed on a physically present food or beverage product or its container.
- Displays, such as on vending machine exteriors.
- Corporate brand, logo, name or trademark on school equipment, such as marquees, message boards, scoreboards or backboards (note: immediate replacement of these items are not required; however, districts will replace or update scoreboards or other durable equipment when existing contracts are up for renewal or to the extent that is in financially possible over time so that items are in compliance with the marketing policy.).
- Corporate brand, logo, name or trademark on cups used for beverage dispensing, menu boards, coolers, trash cans and other food service equipment; as well as on posters, book covers, pupil assignment books or school supplies displayed, distributed, offered or sold by the District.
- Advertisements in school publications or school mailings.
- Free product samples, taste tests or coupons of a product, or free samples displaying advertising of a product.

Corporate brand names, logos, and trademarks for companies that market products that comply with the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards will not be prohibited because they offer some non-compliant food or beverage items in their product line. Likewise, the marketing restrictions do not apply to clothing or other examples of expression which include brand information for non-compliant food or beverage items.

As the District, school athletic department, and parent teacher associations review existing contracts and consider new contracts, equipment and product purchasing (and replacement) decisions should reflect the applicable marketing guidelines established by the District wellness policy.

### E. Celebrations and Rewards.

All foods offered during the school day on the school campus will meet or exceed the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards.<sup>3</sup> Foods and beverages will not be used as a reward

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Federal law encourages, but does not require, Smart Snack standards to apply to foods or snacks that are NOT promoted or offered for sale during the school day. Individual districts may use alternative standards that are

or withheld as punishment for any reason. The District's School Nutrition Services will make available a list of healthy party ideas to parents and teachers, including non-food celebration ideas, and a list of foods and beverages which meet Smart Snack nutrition standards.

### F. Food Sale Fundraising.

Foods and beverages that meet or exceed the USDA Smart Snacks in Schools nutrition standards may be sold through fundraisers on the school campus during the school day. Fundraising groups are encouraged to choose non-food fundraisers, and to consider healthy fundraising ideas. Notwithstanding this provision, each school may allow up to nine<sup>4</sup> bake sales or other fundraising food sales of non-compliant foods (i.e., that do not meet Smart Snack standards), which are no more than one day in duration each.

### G. Nutrition Promotion.

The District will promote healthy food and beverage choices for all students throughout the school campus, as well as encourage participation in school meal programs. This promotion will include.<sup>5</sup>

• Implementation of at least \_\_\_\_ or more evidence-based healthy food promotion techniques in the school meal programs using methods included in the Smarter Lunchroom Movement, which may be found at:

https://www.smarterlunchrooms.org/scorecard-tools/smarter-lunchrooms-strategies

• Ensuring 100% of foods and beverages promoted to students during the school day meet the USDA Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards. Additional promotion techniques that the District and individual schools may use are available through the Smart Flood Planner of the Alliance for a Healthier Generation, available at:

https://www.healthiergeneration.org/our-work/business-sectorengagement/improving-access-to-address-health-equity/smart-food-planner.

#### H. Nutrition Education.

The District will teach, model, encourage and support healthy eating by all students.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>&</sup>quot;more or less stringent" than the Smart Snack standards, but the Policy must include the guidelines for those snacks. Accordingly, if the district chooses to loosen the restrictions on food for such things as class celebrations or snacks, the policy should clearly articulate the alternative standards.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The nine bake sale exemption is found in a N.H. Dept. of Education Technical Advisory dated September 13, 2017. Districts may adopt more stringent limitations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The policy is required to have at least one "measurable goal for nutrition promotion in the school". The second bullet in this Section G articulates one such goal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The policy is required to have at least one "measurable goal for nutrition education". Included in the policy text above are examples.

- Nutrition education shall be included in the health curriculum so that instruction is sequential and standards-based and provides students with the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to lead healthy lives.
- Nutrition education posters will be displayed in [each school cafeteria] {OR if no cafeteria} [each room in which students regularly eat their lunches].
- Consistent nutrition messages shall be disseminated throughout the school.

Schools should provide additional nutrition education that<sup>7</sup>:

- Is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to promote and protect their health;
- To the extent practicable is integrated into other classroom instruction through subjects such as math, science, language arts, social sciences and elective subjects;
- May include enjoyable, developmentally-appropriate, culturally-relevant and participatory activities, such as cooking demonstrations or lessons, promotions, tastetesting, farm visits and school gardens;
- Promotes fruits, vegetables, whole-grain products, low-fat and fat-free dairy products and healthy food preparation methods;
- Emphasizes caloric balance between food intake and energy expenditure (promotes physical activity/exercise);
- Links with school meal programs, cafeteria nutrition promotion activities, school gardens, Farm to School programs, other school foods and nutrition-related community services;
- Teaches media literacy with an emphasis on food and beverage marketing; and
- Includes nutrition education training for teachers and other staff.

### IV. PHYSICAL ACTIVITY.

The District will provide physical education consistent with national and state standards. Physical activity during the school day (including but not limited to recess, classroom physical activity breaks or physical education) will not be withheld as punishment for any reason.

### A. Classroom Physical Activity Breaks.

In addition to any recess periods provided in the ordinary daily schedule, students will be offered **periodic opportunities** to be active or to stretch throughout the day. The District recommends

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> These bulleted items may be refashioned into measurable goals and included immediately above.
<sup>8</sup> The policy is required to have at least one "measurable goal for physical activity". Classroom physical activity

breaks are one such example. Before and after school activities are more likely to meet the "measurable goal" requirement if the provision includes specific activities. Other examples include such things as community use of school athletic facilities and equipment, "walk to school" days. Further suggestions, as well as more comprehensive and coordinated physical activity programs, may be found in materials on the Alliance for a Healthier Generation site: https://www.healthiergeneration.org/resources/physical-activity

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teachers provide short ([\_\_\_\_\_\_3-5]-minute) physical activity breaks to students during and between classroom time at least three days per week. These physical activity breaks will complement, not substitute, for physical education class, recess, and class transition periods.

### B. Before and After School Activities.

The District offers opportunities for students to participate in physical activity after school through interscholastic and intramural sports and clubs.

### C. Walking and Biking to School.

The District will support walking or biking to school by students or faculty only if determined safe by the building principal.

### V. OTHER ACTIVITIES TO PROMOTE STUDENT WELLNESS.

The District will endeavor to integrate wellness activities across the entire school setting, not just in the cafeteria or physical education and athletic facilities. In furtherance of this objective, each school in the District will *[identify at least one activity or list of options with a requirement to engage in one or more]* each school year.

### VI. PROFESSIONAL LEARNING.

When feasible, the District will offer annual professional learning opportunities and resources for staff to increase knowledge and skills about promoting healthy behaviors in the classroom and school (e.g., increasing the use of kinesthetic teaching approaches or incorporating nutrition lessons into math class).

District Policy History:	
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### Legal References:

42 U.S.C. 1751, Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act

42 U.S.C. 1771, Child Nutrition Act of 1966

Section 204 of Public Law 108-265, Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The policy is required to include at least one measurable goal for "other school-based wellness activities". The range of options here is extremely broad, but the policy must state at least one measurable goal. Examples include information dissemination, family engagement, farm-to-table, health fairs, school gardens, partnerships with community health/nutrition organizations. Again, additional resources are available through the Alliance for a Healthier Generation site.

The Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010

7 C.F.R 210, National School Lunch Program

7 C.F.R 220, School Breakfast Program

RSA 189:11-a, Food and Nutrition Programs

N.H. Dept. of Education Administrative Rule - Ed 306.04 (a)(20), Wellness

N.H. Dept. of Education Administrative Rule - Ed 306.11 (g), Food and Nutrition Services

N.H. Dept. of Education Administrative Rule - Ed 306.38 (b)(1)b, Family and Consumer Science Education Program (middle schools)

N.H. Dept of Education Administrative Rule - Ed 306.40, Health Education Program

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NHSBA revision notes, August 2022, revised JLCF §III-C ("Water") to reflect SB 233 (2022 N.H. Laws Ch. 149) which amended RSA 200:11-b, by (1) adding that students shall be permitted to bring certain types of water bottles to schools, (2) stating that Principals may enact discipline for misuse of water bottles; and (3) requiring all renovated or newly constructed public school buildings to have water bottle filling stations. June 2020, JLCF was completely revised to conform to current federal regulations pertaining to school lunch and school breakfast programs, and N.H. Department of Education guidelines.

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# KFA - Public Conduct On School Property

For purposes of this policy, "school property" means any buildings, vehicles, property, land, or facilities used for school purposes or school-sponsored events, whether public or private.

The School District expects mutual respect, civility, and orderly conduct among all individuals on school property or at a school event. No person on school property or at a school event shall:

- 1. Injure, threaten, harass, or intimidate a staff member, a School Board member, sports official or coach, or any other person;
- 2. Damage or threaten to damage another's property;
- 3. Damage or deface School District property;
- 4. Violate any New Hampshire law, or town or county ordinance;
- 5. Smoke or otherwise use tobacco products;
- Consume, possess, distribute, or be under the influence of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs, or possess dangerous devices or weapons;
- 7. Impede, delay, disrupt, or otherwise interfere with any school activity or function (including using cellular phones in a disruptive manner);
- 8. Enter upon any portion of school premises at any time for purposes other than those that are lawful and authorized by the School Board;
- 9. Operate a motor vehicle in violation of an authorized District employee's directive or posted road signs.
- 10. Violate other District policies or regulations, or an authorized District employee's directive.

Any person who violates this policy or any other acceptable standard of behavior may be ordered to leave school grounds. Law enforcement officials may be contacted at the discretion of the supervising district employee if such employee believes it necessary.

Additionally, the District reserves the right to issue "no trespass" letters to any person whose conduct violates this policy, acceptable standards of conduct, or creates a disruption to the school district's educational purpose.

# Legal References:

RSA 193:11, Disturbance

RSA 635:2, Criminal Trespass

Category: Recommended

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Adopted: May 17, 2016

< KF - Community Use of Schools

# KFD - Use of Automated External Defibrillator(s)

(https://schoolboard.convalsd.net/district-policies/k-school-community-relations/kfd-use-of-automated-external-defibrillators/)

# **CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PROPERTY**

Category: Recommended Related Policies: AC, JIC, JICI, JICK & KI

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(a) SPECIAL POLICY NOTE: The impetus for the revisions to this sample was the 2022 passage of HB1178, now codified as RSA Chapter 159-E. Among other things, that statute precludes state or local public agencies, subdivisions, or their employees from enforcing any federal law, regulation, or executive order that is inconsistent with New Hampshire state law pertaining to firearms, ammunition, or knives. As New Hampshire does not have a law that specifically prohibits non-students from carrying firearms on school property, the policy required revision to the previous prohibition against "weapons" on school grounds. (Students are prohibited from possessing or using firearms on school property by virtue of RSA 193:13.)

Instead, this policy prohibits the use, as well as the reckless, attempted or threatened use of any object, etc. to injure, intimidate, harass or coerce another person.

Boards should review with local counsel other possible policy options concerning firearms (e.g., re staff), and district and building administrators should review with local law enforcement protocols for responses to individuals carrying firearms on school grounds.

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### A. General Statement and Purpose.

The purpose of this policy is to establish a minimum standard of conduct upon school district property, and during school sponsored events and activities that will provide the best possible educational climate for the students; encourage participation in the educational process by the general public; protect the investment of the public in both the educational process and the

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physical plant in which it is conducted; and honor and protect the rights of all individuals within the community.

While this policy applies generally to conduct by any and all persons on school property, additional policies, rules, regulations, or procedures will apply (1) as to certain defined groups (e.g., {\*\*} JIC regarding student conduct); (2) for visits during the school day (see Board policy {\*\*} KI); or (3) during other specific activities or times (e.g., {\*\*} KF regarding use of school facilities).

### B. Definitions.

As used in this policy:

- 1. "Authorized District Personnel" any person who is designated by the Superintendent, the Principal (as to grounds or activities withing her/his purview), the Athletic Director (as to athletic events), or any other person or persons so designated by either of them to administer the provisions of this policy relative to specific school property or a school sponsored or approved activity or function.
- 2. "School property" means any buildings, vehicles, property, land, or facilities used for school purposes or school-sponsored events or activities, whether public or private.

### C. Prohibited Conduct.

No person on school property or during any school sponsored or approved activity may:

- 1. Injure, threaten, bully, harass, or intimidate a student, staff member, sports official, coach, or any other person;
- Engage in behaviors that are harassing or discriminatory in nature based on a person's actual
  or perceived age, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, familial status,
  disability, religion, national origin race, or color (including those traits historically associated
  with race, color or religion, including but not limited to head coverings, hair texture, or
  protective hairstyles);
- 3. Impede, delay, disrupt, or otherwise interfere with any school function or any activity sponsored or approved by the Board, the Superintendent, building Principal, Athletic Director, or their designees;
- 4. Damage or threaten to damage another's property;
- 5. Damage or deface School District property;
- 6. Smoke or otherwise use tobacco products;
- 7. Consume, possess, distribute, or be under the influence of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs/controlled substances; (persons known or suspected to be under the influence of liquor or a controlled substance will not be permitted to enter the school building or grounds, and law enforcement may be contacted);
- 8. Use, or attempt to use, or threaten to use **any** device, instrument, material, or substance ("prohibited object) with the purpose to injure, threaten, intimidate, or coerce another person;

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for the purposes of this section, any reckless use of any prohibited object which places or may place another in danger of serious bodily injury is also prohibited;

NOTES: while students are prohibited from possessing firearms on school property under Board policy \*\*\*JICI and RSA 193:13), mere possession or displaying of a firearm by non-student adults [1 Delete fn.] shall not, in and of itself and without additional circumstances as described in this paragraph, constitute reckless conduct or a violation of this policy;

- 9. Enter upon any portion of school property at any time for purposes other than those that are lawful and specifically authorized by the Board, the Superintendent, building Principal, Athletic Director, or their designees;
- 10. Operate (either upon or over school property) a drone or other unmanned aircraft except as provided under Board policy \(\frac{\*\*}{ECD}\);
- 11. Violate any state law or regulation, or any duly adopted policy and/or regulation of the Board.
- 12. Violate any federal law with the exception of any such law that is pre-empted by New Hampshire state law (e.g., RSA 159-E pertaining to firearms, etc.);
- 13. Operate a motor vehicle in violation of any Authorized District Personnel directive or posted road signs.
- 14. Refuse to comply with or obey a directive of any Authorized District Personnel or posted rules or regulations.

### D. Enforcement & Consequences.

Any person who violates this policy or any other acceptable standard of behavior may be ordered to leave school grounds by Authorized Personnel, who may, also at her/his discretion, contact law enforcement. Students and employees who violate this policy shall be further subject to such consequences or interventions as provided under applicable Board policies or District or school administrative regulations.

Additionally, the Board authorizes the Superintendent or his/her designee to issue "no trespass" letters to any person whose conduct violates this policy. The Superintendent is further authorized, upon consultation with district counsel, to file any criminal complaint with respect to such violations.

### E. Severability.

If any provision of this policy or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the policy which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this policy are declared to be severable.

#### District Policy History:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> [Delete fn.] See "Special Policy Note" in adoption notes above relative to firearms policies.

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Other district policy history:		

### Legal References:

RSA 126-K:7, Use of Tobacco Products on Public Educational Grounds Prohibited

RSA 159:26, Firearms, Ammunition, and Knives; Authority of the State.

RSA 159-E, Presidential Executive Orders and Statutory Law Relating to the Right to Keep and Bear Arms

RSA 193:11, Disturbance

RSA 193:38, Discrimination in Public Schools

RSA Chapter 193-B, Drug Free School Zones

RSA Chapter 193-F, Pupil Safety and Violence Prevention

RSA 635:2, Criminal Trespass

RSA 631:3, V, Reckless Conduct

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NHSBA history: Revised Aug. 2022, June 2013, April 2011, April 2006, Nov. 1999, July 1998;

NHSBA revision notes, August 2022, Generally revised and restructured policy. Most notable changes included: (a) adding language regarding use, or reckless, attempted or threatened use of any object whatsoever (including firearms and knives – to reflect 2022 enactment of RSA 159-E) to injure, intimidate, harass or coerce another; (b) expansion and clarification of types of prohibited conduct; (c) additional provisions relative to scope of policy and authorized personnel; and (d) added a severability provision.

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