

# Edmore School District Policies

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**Recommended**

**Descriptor Code: KADA**

## **WEAPONS PROHIBITION ON SCHOOL PROPERTY - PUBLIC**

### **Definitions**

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:

- *Weapon* includes, but is not limited to:
  - a. Dangerous weapon as defined by NDCC 62.1-01-01
  - b. Any device designed to stun through use of voltage whether through direct contact or through a projectile
  - c. Any firearm look alike or dangerous weapon look alike brought on school property with the intent to threaten or intimidate
  - d. Any other object that is used, attempted to be used, or intended to be used to threaten or intimidate, cause destruction to property, or to cause injury to self or others
  - e. Spray or aerosol containing ortho-chlorobenzamalonitrile or other irritating agent intended for use in the defense of an individual
- *Firearm* as defined by 18 U.S.C. 921 and NDCC 62.1-01-01
- *School property* is defined in NDCC 15.1-19-10 (6)(b) as all land within the perimeter of the school site and all school buildings, structures, facilities, and school vehicles, whether owned or leased by a school district, and the site of any school-sponsored event or activity.

### **Prohibitions**

Parents and members of the public are prohibited from ~~knowingly possessing weapons and firearms~~ **on school property a firearm, dangerous weapon, or any object that is used, attempted to be used, or threatened to be used to intimidate or cause bodily harm, including those individuals who may otherwise be permitted by law to carry such weapons. including those individuals who may otherwise be permitted by law to carry such weapons.** This prohibition does not apply to law enforcement personnel. Weapons and firearms under the control of law enforcement personnel are permitted on school property.

### **Exceptions**

The prohibitions in this policy do not apply when the **principal or superintendent** has authorized the following:

1. Use of a blank firearm cartridge or look alike weapon in a sporting, memorial, or theatrical event.
2. Participation in educational, training, cultural, or competitive events that requires use of a firearm or dangerous weapon.
3. For purposes of a hunter's safety course.
4. Firearms or dangerous weapons stored in residences of individuals living in district-owned housing **as authorized by the District.**

The public is not in violation of this policy if using an item prohibited by this policy to defend oneself or others in an emergency situation that warrants self-defense.

### **Notification**

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The Superintendent will ensure parents and members of the public are notified of this policy using methods deemed most efficient.

### **Firearms Stored in Vehicles**

Members of the public who have firearms and/or weapons stored in their vehicles shall park their vehicles off school property when visiting the school or attending a school-sponsored event.

### **Enforcement**

When a school employee observes a violation of this policy, s/he shall inform the violator and ask him/her to remove the weapon or firearm from school property. When the violator refuses or in emergency situations, the school employee shall follow applicable emergency response protocols.

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