

Community Relations

Otherwise Lawful Possession of Firearms on School Property

Notwithstanding the otherwise lawful possession of firearms defined in Section [53a-3](#), ("any sawed off shotgun, machine gun, rifle, shotgun, pistol, revolver or other weapon, whether loaded or unloaded from which a shot may be discharged") in or on the real property comprising school district property by persons who hold a valid state or local permit to carry a firearm and would otherwise legally traverse school property with an unloaded firearm for the purpose of gaining access to public or private lands open to hunting or for other lawful purposes, such entry onto school property by these persons for these purposes is prohibited by the Board of Education.

The issuance of a permit to carry a pistol, revolver or other firearms does not authorize the possession or carrying of a pistol, revolver or other firearms on school district property. The Board of Education prohibits such possession on school district property.

The Board of Education may employ or enter into an agreement for public school security services with a firearm, as defined in state law, only with a sworn member of a local police department, a retired state or local police officer, or retired federal law enforcement agents and retired police officers from an out-of-state police department.

A motor vehicle inspector, designated under section C.G.S. 14-[8](#) and certified pursuant to C.G.S. [7-294d](#), while engaged in the performance of such motor vehicle inspector's official duties may carry weapons on school grounds, effective October 1, 2016.

Students are prohibited by the Board of Education from possessing firearms for any reason, whether otherwise lawful or not, in or on the real property comprising the public or private elementary or secondary school or at a school-sponsored activity as defined in Subsection (h) of Section 10 233a.

(cf. 5114 - Suspension/Expulsion/Exclusion/Removal)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

[29-28](#) Permit for sale at retail of pistol or revolver. Permit to carry a pistol or revolver. Confidentiality of name and address of permit holder.

[29-33](#) Sale, delivery or transfer of pistol and revolvers. Documentation requirements. Waiting period. Exempted transactions. Penalty.

[52a-3](#) Definitions.

[53a-217b](#) Possession of a weapon on school grounds: Class D felony. (as amended by P.A. 16-55)

P.A. 13-188 An Act Concerning School Safety

P.A. 14-217 Section 254 of "Budget Implementer Bill"

P.A. 14-212 An Act Concerning the State Education Resource Center

P.A.16-55 An Act Concerning Recommendations by the Department of Motor Vehicles Regarding Hazardous Materials, Car Dealers, Student Transportation Vehicle Operators, Diversion Programs and Motor Vehicle Inspectors.

Policy adopted:

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