

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
INVESTIGATIONS AND SEARCHES

FNF
(LOCAL)

**Questioning
Students**

District officials may question a student regarding the student's own conduct or the conduct of other students. In the context of school discipline, students may not refuse to answer questions based on a right not to incriminate themselves.

For provisions pertaining to student questioning by law enforcement officials or other state or local governmental authorities, see GRA(LOCAL).

District Property

Desks, lockers, District-provided technology, and similar items are the property of the District and are provided for student use as a matter of convenience. District property is subject to search or inspection at any time without notice. Students have no expectation of privacy in District property. Students shall be fully responsible for the security and contents of District property assigned to them. No student shall place or keep in a desk, locker, District-provided technology, or similar item any article or material prohibited by law, District policy, or the Student Code of Conduct. Students shall be responsible for any prohibited item found in District property provided to the student.

Searches in General

District officials may conduct searches of students, their belongings, and their vehicles in accordance with state and federal law and District policy. Searches of students shall be conducted in a reasonable and nondiscriminatory manner.

District officials may initiate a search in accordance with law, including, for example, based on reasonable suspicion, voluntary consent, or pursuant to District policy providing for suspicionless security procedures, including the use of metal detectors.

In accordance with the Student Code of Conduct, students are responsible for prohibited items found in their possession, including items in their personal belongings or in vehicles parked on District property.

**Reasonable-
Suspicion Searches**

Searches should be reasonable at their inception and in scope. If there is reasonable suspicion to believe that searching a student's person, belongings, or vehicle will reveal evidence of a violation of the Student Code of Conduct, a District official may conduct a search in accordance with law and District regulations.

**Suspicionless
Searches**

For purposes of this policy, a suspicionless search is a search carried out based on lawful security procedures, such as metal detector searches or random drug testing.

*Metal Detector
Searches*

In order to maintain a safe and disciplined learning environment, the District reserves the right to subject students to metal detector searches when entering a District campus and at off-campus, school-sponsored activities.

Use of Trained Dogs

The District reserves the right to use trained dogs to conduct screening for concealed prohibited items. Such procedures shall be unannounced. The dogs shall not be used with students; however, students may be asked to leave personal belongings in an area that will be screened. If a dog alerts to an item or an area, it may be searched by District officials.

Random Drug-Testing Program

The District requires the random drug-testing of any student in grades 7–12 who chooses to participate in school-sponsored extracurricular activities.

The Superintendent shall develop regulations for the implementation of the District's random student drug-testing program that address the following:

1. Covered activities and purpose of the program;
2. Written consent and confidentiality of results;
3. Testing procedures and collection process; and
4. Applicable consequences.

Appeal

A student or parent may appeal a decision made under the random drug-testing program in accordance with FNG(LOCAL). The student shall be ineligible for participation in extracurricular activities while the appeal is pending.