

## USE OF METAL DETECTORS

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for the use of metal detectors to detect weapons by the district.

When the administration has reasonable cause to believe that weapons are in the possession of identified or unidentified students or other individuals; when there has been a pattern of weapons found at school; or when violence involving weapons has occurred at the school, the administration is authorized to use hand held, stationary and/or mobile metal detectors in accordance with procedures developed by the administration in conjunction with legal counsel. Any search of a student's or individual's person as a result of the activation of the detector will be conducted in private in accordance with the procedures.

The district's express intention for this policy is to enhance security by preventing students and/or individuals from bringing weapons or other dangerous objects into the schools. Any student who violates the provision of the student behavior code, which provides that a student may not possess, use or transfer dangerous weapons, will be disciplined in accordance with district policy.

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Legal references:

A. S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, as amended:

1. Section 59-66-30 - Public middle schools and high schools to be equipped with metal detector; training; regulations.