



BLOOMFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION - BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Board of Education Policy Committee Meeting AT Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Bloomfield Board of Education 1133 Blue Hills Avenue Board Room, 1133 Blue Hills Avenue ,  
Bloomfield, CT 06002

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J. Wilkerson
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Board of Education – Policy Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.  
Bloomfield Board of Education, Board Room  
1133 Blue Hills Avenue  
Bloomfield, CT 06002

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| <b>2. Consent Agenda</b>   |              |
| <b>A. Approval of Minutes - Policy Committee – April 25, 2023</b>          | J. Wilkerson |
| <b>3. New Business</b>   |              |
| <b>A. Policies for an Initial Reading</b>                                  | W. Guzman    |
| <b>1. Policy Regarding Possession Of Deadly Weapons Or Firearms – 1700</b> |              |
| <b>2. Minimum Duty-Free Lunch Periods For Teachers – 4113.12</b>           |              |
| <b>5. Adjournment</b>  | J. Wilkerson |



Board of Education – Special Policy Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:30 PM  
Bloomfield Board of Education, Board Room  
1133 Blue Hills Avenue  
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**ATTENDANCE:** D. Harris, *ex-officio* Present  
H. Frydman Absent  
R. Ike Present

**ALSO PRESENT:** J. Thompson W. Guzman D. Moleti  
J. Titelbaum A.M. Cullinan L. Lamenzo  
K. Dunbar L. Easmon

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

D. Harris called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. The roll was called and a quorum was present.

**2. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Review and Discussion of Policy 5118.111 - Children of Out-of-Town BOE Employees**

William Guzman, Chief Operations Office share information with the Policy Committee members regarding Policy 5118.111 – Children of Out-of-Town BOE Employees. This policy allows the Board of Education to consider employee requests to have their child attend in-district schools at the cost of 10% the per pupil expenditure rate.

This policy was adopted on December 10, 2013 and later approved due to recodification on October 6, 2015.

The current application is for an employee who works at Metacomet Elementary School and the child is attending Kindergarten at Laurel Elementary School.

R. Ike inquired when the last time a request and approval was made. It was noted a request came before the Board of the Education and was approved in July of 2019. It was further noted that the district has received less than five requests under this policy and of those only two families have opted to enroll.

L. Easmon stated that requests need to come before the Board for approval in advance of attending Bloomfield Public Schools. It was noted that a special meeting should be called, if needed, to review and approve prior to enrollment. It was also requested by L. Easmon to revisit this policy in the future.



**3. ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:50 p.m., a motion was made by R. Ike and seconded by D. Harris to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously (2-0-0).

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D. Harris, Board Chair

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**BOARD POLICY**

**No. 1700(a)**

**RE: POLICY REGARDING POSSESSION OF DEADLY WEAPONS OR FIREARMS**  
**Community/Board Operations**

**Adopted: 12/08/2009**

**Approved: 10/06/2015**

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**I. DEFINITIONS:**

- A. **DEADLY WEAPON** MEANS "ANY WEAPON, WHETHER LOADED OR UNLOADED, FROM WHICH A SHOT MAY BE DISCHARGED, OR A SWITCHBLADE KNIFE, GRAVITY KNIFE, BILLY, BLACKJACK, BLUDGEON, OR METAL KNUCKLES." CONN. GEN. STAT. § 53A-3 (6).
  
- B. **FIREARM** MEANS "ANY SAWED-OFF SHOTGUN, MACHINE GUN, RIFLE, SHOTGUN, PISTOL, REVOLVER OR OTHER WEAPON, WHETHER LOADED OR UNLOADED FROM WHICH A SHOT MAY BE DISCHARGED." CONN. GEN. STAT. § 53A-3 (19).
  
- C. **PEACE OFFICER** MEANS "A MEMBER OF THE DIVISION OF STATE POLICE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION OR AN ORGANIZED LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT, A CHIEF INSPECTOR OR INSPECTOR IN THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, A STATE MARSHAL WHILE EXERCISING AUTHORITY GRANTED UNDER ANY PROVISION OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, A JUDICIAL MARSHAL IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES OF A JUDICIAL MARSHAL, A CONSERVATION OFFICER OR SPECIAL CONSERVATION OFFICER, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 26-5, A CONSTABLE WHO PERFORMS CRIMINAL LAW ENFORCEMENT DUTIES, A SPECIAL POLICEMAN APPOINTED UNDER SECTION 29-18, 29-18A OR 29-19, AN ADULT PROBATION OFFICER, AN OFFICIAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION AUTHORIZED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTION TO MAKE ARRESTS IN A CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION OR FACILITY, ANY INVESTIGATOR IN THE INVESTIGATIONS UNIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER, AN INSPECTOR OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, WHO IS CERTIFIED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 7-294A TO 7-294E, INCLUSIVE, A UNITED STATES MARSHAL OR DEPUTY MARSHAL, ANY SPECIAL AGENT OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZED TO ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 21 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, OR A MEMBER OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT OF THE MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT TRIBE OR THE MOHEGAN TRIBE OF INDIANS OF

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CONNECTICUT CREATED AND GOVERNED BY A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 47-65C WHO IS CERTIFIED AS A POLICE OFFICER BY THE POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 7-294A TO 7-294E, INCLUSIVE." CONN. GEN. STAT. § 53A-3 (9).

- D. REAL PROPERTY** MEANS THE LAND AND ALL TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT STRUCTURES COMPRISING THE DISTRICT'S ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDINGS. REAL PROPERTY INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING: CLASSROOMS, HALLWAYS, STORAGE FACILITIES, THEATRES, GYMNASIUMS, FIELDS AND PARKING LOTS.
- E SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY** MEANS "ANY ACTIVITY SPONSORED, RECOGNIZED OR AUTHORIZED BY A BOARD OF EDUCATION AND INCLUDES ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED ON OR OFF SCHOOL PROPERTY." CONN. GEN. STAT. § 10-233A(H).

**II. PROHIBITION OF DEADLY WEAPONS AND FIREARMS**

IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONN. GEN. STAT. § 29-28(E) AND § 53A-217B, THE POSSESSION AND/OR USE OF A DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM ON THE REAL PROPERTY OF ANY SCHOOL OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING IN THIS DISTRICT, ON SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, OR AT A SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY, IS PROHIBITED, EVEN IF THE PERSON POSSESSING THE DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM HAS A PERMIT FOR SUCH ITEM.

ALSO PROHIBITED IS POSSESSION OF ANY WEAPON, WEAPON FACSIMILE, KNIFE, BOX CUTTER, BOW AND ARROW, EXPLOSIVE DEVICE, FIREARM WHETHER FUNCTIONAL OR NOT, OR ANY OTHER DANGEROUS OBJECT. THIS ALSO INCLUDES PELLET GUNS, BB GUNS AND/OR AIR SOFT PISTOLS.

**III. PEACE OFFICER EXCEPTION**

A PEACE OFFICER ENGAGED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR HER OFFICIAL DUTIES WHO IS IN LAWFUL POSSESSION OF A DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM MAY BRING SUCH ITEM ON THE REAL PROPERTY OF ANY SCHOOL OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING IN THIS DISTRICT, ON SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, OR TO A SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY.

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**IV. OTHER EXCEPTIONS**

PERSONS IN LAWFUL POSSESSION OF A DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM MAY POSSESS SUCH ITEM ON THE REAL PROPERTY OF ANY SCHOOL OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING IN THIS DISTRICT, ON SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, OR TO A SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY, IF:

- A. THE PERSON BRINGS THE DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM ON THE REAL PROPERTY OF ANY SCHOOL OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING, ON SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, OR TO A SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY FOR USE IN A PROGRAM APPROVED BY SCHOOL OFFICIALS. IN SUCH CASE, THE PERSON MUST GIVE SCHOOL OFFICIALS NOTICE OF HIS/HER INTENTION TO BRING SUCH ITEM, AND THE PERSON MUST RECEIVE PRIOR WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM SCHOOL OFFICIALS.
  
- B. THE PERSON POSSESSES THE DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM ON THE REAL PROPERTY OF ANY SCHOOL OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING, ON SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, OR AT A SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY PURSUANT TO A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH SCHOOL OFFICIALS OR A WRITTEN AGREEMENT BETWEEN SUCH PERSON'S EMPLOYER AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS.

**V. CONSEQUENCES**

- A. UNLESS SUBJECT TO ONE OF THE EXCEPTIONS LISTED ABOVE, ANY PERSON WHO POSSESSES A DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM ON THE REAL PROPERTY OF AN ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS DISTRICT, OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING, ON SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, OR AT A SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY, WHETHER OR NOT THE PERSON IS LAWFULLY PERMITTED TO CARRY SUCH DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM, WILL BE REPORTED TO THE LOCAL POLICE AUTHORITIES ONCE SCHOOL OFFICIALS BECOME AWARE OF ITS POSSESSION.

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- B. A STUDENT WHO POSSESSES AND/OR USES ANY DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM ON THE REAL PROPERTY OF AN ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS DISTRICT, OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDING, ON SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, OR AT A SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY IN VIOLATION OF THIS POLICY SHALL BE DISCIPLINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT DISCIPLINE POLICY.
- C. THE BOARD OF EDUCATION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO FORBID ANYONE CAUGHT POSSESSING A DEADLY WEAPON OR FIREARM ON THE REAL PROPERTY OF ITS SCHOOL BUILDINGS OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDINGS, ON SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION, OR AT A SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITY, FROM USING ANY AND ALL SCHOOL FACILITIES.

**LEGAL REFERENCES:**

Connecticut General Statutes § 10-233a  
§ 10-244a  
§ 29-28(e)  
§ 53a-3  
§ 53a-217b

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**BOARD POLICY**

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**RE: Policy Regarding Possession of Deadly Weapons  
Community/Board Operations**

**Adopted: 12/8/2009**  
**Approved: 10/6/2015**

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**I** Definitions:

- A. **Deadly Weapon** means "any weapon, whether loaded or unloaded, from which a shot may be discharged, or a switchblade knife, gravity knife, billy, blackjack, bludgeon, or metal knuckles." Conn. Gen. Stat. § 53a-3 (6).
- B. **Real Property** means the land and all temporary and permanent structures comprising the district's elementary and secondary schools, and administrative office buildings. Real property includes, but is not limited to, the following: classrooms, hallways, storage facilities, theatres, gymnasiums, fields and parking lots.
- C. **School-Sponsored Activity** "means any activity sponsored, recognized or authorized by a board of education and includes activities conducted on or off school property." Conn. Gen. Stat. § 10-233a.
- D. **Peace Officer** means a state police officer, a member of the local police department, an inspector in the state Division of Criminal Justice, a sheriff, deputy sheriff or special deputy sheriff, a conservation officer or special conservation officer, a constable who performs criminal law enforcement duties, a special policeman, an adult probation officer, a Department of Correction official authorized by the Commissioner of Correction to make arrests in a correctional institution or facility, an investigator in the investigations unit of the Office of the State Treasurer, or any special agent of the federal government. Conn. Gen. Stat. § 53a-3 (9).

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**II. Prohibition of Deadly Weapons**

In accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. § 53a-217b, the possession of a deadly weapon on the real property of any school or administrative office building in this district, or at a school-sponsored activity, is prohibited.

**III. Mandatory Exception**

Persons in lawful possession of a deadly weapon may bring the weapon on the real property of any school or administrative office building in this district, or to a school-sponsored activity if:

The person is a peace officer engaged in the performance of his or her official duties.

**IV. Permissive Exceptions**

Persons in lawful possession of a deadly weapon may bring the weapon on the real property of any school or administrative office building in this district, or to a school-sponsored activity if:

- A. The person brings the weapon on the real property of any school or administrative office building or to a school-sponsored activity for use in a program approved by school officials, the person gives notice of his/her intention to bring such weapon on to the real property of any school or administrative office building or to a school-sponsored activity, and the person receives prior written permission from school officials to bring such a weapon onto the real property of the school or administrative office building or to a school sponsored activity.
- B. The person possesses the weapon on the real property of any school or administrative office building or at a school-sponsored activity pursuant to a written agreement with school officials or a written agreement between such person's employer and school officials.

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Persons in lawful possession of a deadly weapon may bring the weapon on the real property of any school building in this district if:

- C. The person crosses school property in order to gain access to public or private lands open to hunting or for other lawful purposes, the person's weapon is not loaded and the Board of Education has not prohibited such person's entry.

V. Consequences

- A. Unless subject to one of the exceptions listed above, any person who possesses a deadly weapon on the real property of an elementary or secondary school in this district, or administrative office building, or at a school-sponsored activity, whether or not the person is lawfully permitted to carry such weapon, will be reported to the local police authorities once school officials become aware of its possession.
- B. The Board of Education reserves the right to forbid anyone caught possessing a deadly weapon on the real property of its school buildings or administrative office buildings, or at a school-sponsored activity, from using any and all school facilities.

VI. Dissemination of Policy

The Board of Education shall inform all students, parent(s) and/or guardians, employees, town residents, and visitors of this policy governing possession of a deadly weapon.

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Legal References: 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. (as amended by PA 98-129)  
29-33 Sale, delivery or transfer of pistol and revolvers. Documentation requirements. Waiting period. Exempted transactions. Penalty. (as amended by PA 98-129)  
52a-3 Definitions.  
53a-217b Possession of a weapon on school grounds: Class D felony. (as amended by PA 01-84)  
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 ]

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**BOARD POLICY**

**No. 4113.12(a)**

**RE: MINIMUM DUTY-FREE LUNCH PERIODS FOR TEACHERS**

**Adopted:**

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**THE BLOOMFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION, IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC ACT 22-80, SHALL PROVIDE A MINIMUM 30 MINUTE UNINTERRUPTED LUNCH PERIOD FOR TEACHERS AND OTHER CERTIFIED STAFF.**

**Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes**

**P.A 22-80 An Act Concerning Childhood Mental and Physical Health Services in School.**