

# HORTONVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Title:** Weapons

**Date Adopted:** 12/19/94

**Policy No.** 5053

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**Policy Statement:**

Schools need to be a safe place for all students. The Hortonville Area School District intends to provide a wholesome and healthful learning environment to all students and community members. Health, safety and welfare are the utmost concern of the District. The District will not tolerate actions of individuals or groups that threaten or cause physical or mental harm. Building Administrators will review this policy annually with all 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. A student, staff person or community member may not possess a dangerous weapon, or simulation thereof, on school property, including school buses, on or off school property. Possessing a dangerous weapon, or simulation thereof, with or without intent to threaten or cause bodily harm to others or to cause property damage is a violation of District policy. A dangerous weapon is defined as a firearm, loaded or unloaded, and any device that is designed as a weapon and/or capable of producing bodily harm

This policy will be given to all students in Grades 6-12 annually.

**Rationale:** A safe environment is essential to the learning process.

**Scope:** All students, staff and community members.

**Responsibility:**

Compliance with this policy shall be the responsibility of the District Administrator and all Building Administrators.

**Implementation:**

Non-firearms/Dangerous Weapon

A student possessing a dangerous weapon, or simulation thereof, on school property, including school buses on or off school property, or at a school function on or off school property, may be suspended and/or an expulsion referral may be initiated as may a referral to law enforcement authorities.

Firearms

A student a firearm, or use of a simulated firearm in a threatening manner, on school property, including school buses on or off school property, or at a school function on or off school property, will be suspended, an expulsion referral will be initiated and a referral will be made to law enforcement authorities.

**Exemptions:** Weapons used as part of a State Certified Program by a State Certified Instructor are permitted on premise only during actual gun safety class hours and must be properly encased when transporting to and from gun safety class and should have trigger lock, if possible.

President \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Associated Information:**

**Legal References:**

Wisconsin Statutes

939.22

941.295

948.60

948.605

948.61

**Cross References:**

Parent/Student Handbook, Lockers