### JICI - WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

Category: Required By Law

Weapons are not permitted on school property, in school vehicles or at school sponsored activities. This policy applies to students and members of the public alike. Student violations of this policy will result in both school disciplinary action and notification of local law enforcement authorities. Members of the public who violate this policy will be reported to local law enforcement authorities.

Students are not permitted to be in possession of weapons on school property, in school vehicles or at school sponsored events regardless of their location. Student violations of this policy will result in both school disciplinary action and notification of local law enforcement authorities.

The term "weapons" includes, but is not limited to, firearms (rifles, pistols, revolvers, pellet guns, BB guns, etc.) knives, slingshots, metallic knuckles, firecrackers, billy-clubs, stilettos, switchblade knives, swords, canes, pistol canes, black jacks, daggers, dirk knives, explosives, incendiaries, martial arts weapons or self-defense weapons (as defined by RSA 159:24 and RSA 159:20 respectively), or any other object or substance which, in the manner it is used or threatened to be used, is known to be capable of producing death or bodily injury.

In addition, any student who is determined to have brought a firearm (as defined by 18 U.S.C. §921) to school will be expelled for not less than one year (365 days). This expulsion may be modified by the Superintendent upon review of the specific case in accordance with other applicable law.

Pursuant to the provisions of 20 U.S.C. § 7151, Gun-Free Schools Act, the Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative School Board requires the Superintendent to contact local law enforcement authorities and/or the Division of Children and Youth Services and notify them of any student who brings a firearm or weapon on school property.

Weapons under control of law enforcement personnel are permitted.

All students will receive written notice of this policy at least once each year.

### Legal References:

18 U.S.C. § 921 Et seq., Firearms 20 U.S.C. § 7151, Gun-Free Schools Act RSA 193-D, Safe School Zones

RSA 193:13, Suspension and Expulsion of Students

NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 317, Standards and Procedures for Suspension and Expulsion of Pupils Including Procedures Assuring Due Process

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#### **BDB - BOARD OFFICERS**

The officers of the Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative School Board shall be a Chairperson, a Vice-Chairperson and a Secretary. The officers shall be elected at the annual organization meeting to serve until the next annual organization meeting or until a successor is elected. Any vacancy in any of such offices may be filled at any meeting of the Board provided that all members of the Board have been notified prior to the meeting that the vacancy will be filled at such meeting. The Superintendent is the chief executive officer and an ex-officio member of the Board and shall be the Executive Secretary ex-officio.

#### **CHAIRPERSON:**

The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings and shall not originate or second motions; however, the Chairperson shall have the right to vote on all matters before the Board. The chairperson shall consult with the Superintendent on the preparation of the agenda for each meeting, shall have authority to sign contracts and other instruments as approved by the Board in its name and on its behalf, and shall have such other powers and duties as the Board may from time to time determine.

#### VICE-CHAIRPERSON:

The Vice-Chairperson shall have the powers and duties of the Chairperson in his/her absence or for the duration of the disability, and such other powers and duties as the Board may from time to time determine.

#### SECRETARY:

The Secretary shall be responsible for Board correspondence when directed by the Chairperson.

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### **BIA - NEW BOARD MEMBER ORIENTATION**

A new member is to be afforded the Board and the staff's fullest measures of courtesy and cooperation. Board and staff shall make every feasible effort to assist the new member to become fully informed about the Board's functions, policies, and procedures.

A special workshop will be convened for the primary purpose of orienting the new member to his or her responsibilities, to the Board's method of operating, and to Districts policies and procedures.

Each new member will be provided with those materials:

- 1. The previous year's complete record of minutes.
- 2. A copy of Revised Statutes Annotated Relating to Public Schools. (RSA)
- 3. A copy of Becoming A Better Board Member.
- 4. The School Board Policy Manual.
- 5. The NH School Boards Association Orientation Packet.
- 6. The current school budget.
- 7. Negotiated Labor Agreements.

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# **GCQC - RESIGNATIONS**

The Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative School District shall consider employee resignations in a manner that is timely and fair to both the employee and the School District.

## **Implementation**

A resignation by a licensed employee who is under contract to the school should be submitted to the Superintendent. Said resignation of a licensed employee may take effect on a date approved by the Superintendent acting as agent of the School Board. The Superintendent shall inform the board of the accepted resignation at the next regularly scheduled school board meeting.

A resignation by an unlicensed employee shall be submitted to the Superintendent and shall be effective upon acceptance by the Superintendent.

A resignation by a licensed or unlicensed employee may not be withdrawn unilaterally by the employee once it has been submitted to the Superintendent.

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#### **BCA - SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ETHICS**

Each board member shall should comply with the following ethical provisions:

- 1. Attend all regularly scheduled Board meetings, insofar as possible, and become informed concerning issues to be considered at those meetings.
- 2. Make decisions only after full discussion at public Board meetings; render all decisions based on the available facts and my independent judgment, and refuse to surrender that judgment to individuals or special interest groups.
- 3. Seek systematic communications with students, staff, and members of the community.
- 4. Work respectfully with other Board members to achieve the educational goals of the school district by encouraging the free expression of opinions by all Board members.
- 5. Communicate to other Board members and the Superintendent expressions of public reaction to Board policies and school programs.
- 6. Be informed about current educational issues. by individual study and through participation in programs providing needed information, such as those sponsored by my state and national school board associations. Suggestion to remove all text after the word "information".
- 7. Support the employment of those persons best qualified to serve as school staff, and insist on a regular and impartial evaluation of all staff.
- 8. Respect the confidentiality of information that is privileged under applicable law or is received in confidence or executive session.
- 9. Recognize that no individual member has authority to speak or act for the entire Board, except as specifically designated to do so by Board action.

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- 10. Display and demonstrate courtesy and decorum toward fellow Board members at all public meetings and in all public statements.
- 11. Avoid conflicts of interest, real or perceived. Members should disclose all conflicts of interest prior to discussion in public or non-public sessions, as referenced in policy BCB.
- 12. Members will not communicate with each other electronically during a meeting as referenced in policy BHE

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