

## ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

### SUPERINTENDENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

#### **Use of Metal Detectors**

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the following safeguards are used when making metal detector scans:

1. Before wandling, students shall be asked to empty their pockets and belongings of metallic objects.
2. If an initial activation occurs, students shall be asked to remove other metallic objects that they may be wearing (e.g., belt and jewelry) and will be wanded a second time.
3. If the activation is not eliminated or explained, staff shall escort the student to a private area where an expanded search shall be conducted by a staff member of the same gender as the student in the presence of another district employee.
4. The search shall be limited to the detection of the cause of the activation.

#### **Use of Contraband Detection Dogs**

Contraband detection dogs shall not be used in classrooms or other district facilities when the rooms are occupied, except for demonstration purposes with the handler present. When used for demonstration purposes, the dog shall be separated from the students and not allowed to sniff any individual.

Prior to conducting an inspection, students shall be asked to leave the room that will be subject to the canine sniff. No student shall be forced to leave personal items behind for inspection, unless school officials have reasonable suspicion to search the item.

Only the dog's official handler shall determine what constitutes an alert by the dog. If the dog alerts on a particular item or place, the student having the use of that item or place, or responsibility for it, shall be called to witness the inspection. If a dog alerts on a locked vehicle, the student who brought the vehicle onto district property shall be asked to unlock it for inspection.

#### **Notifications**

At the beginning of each school year and upon enrollment, the Superintendent or designee shall

inform students and parents/guardians about the district's policies and procedures for searches, including notice regarding:

1. The possibility of random searches of students, their belongings, their vehicles parked on district property, and district properties under a student's control, including lockers or desks
2. The district's contraband dog detection program
3. The use of metal detector scans

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that signs are posted at all schools at which metal detectors are to be used to explain that anyone may be scanned by metal detectors for guns, knives, or other illegal weapons when on campus or attending athletic or extracurricular events.

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**Policy Reference Disclaimer:**

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

**State**

CA Constitution Article I, Section 28(c)

Ed. Code 32280-32289

Ed. Code 35160

Ed. Code 35160.1

Ed. Code 48900-48927

Ed. Code 49050-49051

Ed. Code 49330-49334

Pen. Code 1546-1546.1

Pen. Code 626.10

Pen. Code 626.9

**Management Resources**

Attorney General Opinion

Attorney General Opinion

Court Decision

**Description**

[Right to Safe Schools](#)

School safety plans

Authority of governing boards

Broad authority of school districts

Suspension and expulsion

Searches by school employees

Injurious objects

Production of or access to electronic communication information

Dirks, daggers, knives or razor

Firearms

**Description**

83 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 257 (2000)

75 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 155 (1992)

New Jersey v. T.L.O., (1985) 469 U.S. 325

Court Decision	In re William G (1985) 40 Cal. 3d 550
Court Decision	In re Latasha W. (1998), 60 Cal. App. 4th 1524
Court Decision	In Re William V. (2003) 111 Cal.App.4th 1464
Court Decision	Klump v. Nazareth Area School District (E.D. Pa. 2006) 425 F. Supp. 2d 622, 640
Court Decision	In re Cody S., 121 Cal. App. 4th 86, 92 (2004)
Court Decision	In re Sean A. (2010) 191 Cal. App. 4th 182
Court Decision	In G.C. v. Owensboro Public Schools (6th Cir. 2013) 711 F.3d 623
Court Decision	Zamora v. Pomeroy, (10th Cir. 1981) 639 F.2d 662
Court Decision	Redding v. Safford Unified School District, (2009) 557 U.S. 364
Court Decision	O'Connor v. Ortega, (1987) 480 U.S. 709
Court Decision	Jennings v. Joshua Independent School District (5th Cir. 1992) 948 F.2d 194
Court Decision	Horton v. Goose Creek Independent School District, (5th Cir. 1982) 690 F.2d 470
Court Decision	B.C. v. Plumas (9th Cir. 1999) 192 F.3d 1260
National Institute of Justice Publication	The Appropriate and Effective Use of Security Technologies in U.S. Schools: A Guide for Schools and Law Enforcement Agencies, 1999
Website	<a href="#">National Institute of Justice</a>
Website	<a href="#">CSBA</a>
Website	<a href="#">California Department of Education, Safe Schools</a>
Website	<a href="#">California Attorney General's Office</a>

## Cross References

Code	Description
0410	<a href="#">Nondiscrimination In County Office Programs And Activities</a>
0450	<a href="#">Comprehensive Safety Plan</a>

0450	<a href="#"><u>Comprehensive Safety Plan</u></a>
1312.1	<a href="#"><u>Complaints Concerning County Office Employees</u></a>
1312.1	<a href="#"><u>Complaints Concerning County Office Employees</u></a>
3515	<a href="#"><u>Campus Security</u></a>
3515	<a href="#"><u>Campus Security</u></a>
3515.3	<a href="#"><u>Campus Security Department</u></a>
3515.3	<a href="#"><u>Campus Security Department</u></a>
4131	<a href="#"><u>Staff Development</u></a>
4231	<a href="#"><u>Staff Development</u></a>
4331	<a href="#"><u>Staff Development</u></a>
5131	<a href="#"><u>Conduct</u></a>
5131.6	<a href="#"><u>Alcohol And Other Drugs</u></a>
5131.6	<a href="#"><u>Alcohol And Other Drugs</u></a>
5131.7	<a href="#"><u>Weapons And Dangerous Instruments</u></a>
5131.7	<a href="#"><u>Weapons And Dangerous Instruments</u></a>
5131.8	<a href="#"><u>Mobile Communication Devices</u></a>
5144.1	<a href="#"><u>Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process</u></a>
5144.1	<a href="#"><u>Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process</u></a>
5145.11	<a href="#"><u>Questioning And Apprehension By Law Enforcement</u></a>
5145.3	<a href="#"><u>Nondiscrimination/Harassment</u></a>
5145.3	<a href="#"><u>Nondiscrimination/Harassment</u></a>
5145.6	<a href="#"><u>Parent/Guardian Notifications</u></a>
5145.6-E(1)	<a href="#"><u>Parent/Guardian Notifications</u></a>
6163.4	<a href="#"><u>Student Use Of Technology</u></a>
6163.4-E(1)	<a href="#"><u>Student Use Of Technology</u></a>