Students

SEARCH AND SEIZURE

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. The notice shall inform parents/guardians of the possibility of random searches of students; their belongings; and District properties under a student's control, including desks. The District's notification should also inform parents/guardians of the District's contraband dog detection program, if applicable.

Use of Contraband Detection Dogs

Contraband detection dogs may 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 must be separated from the students and not allowed to sniff any individual.

Prior to conducting an inspection, students must be asked to leave the room. No student may be required to leave personal items in the room for inspection, unless the school officials have reasonable suspicion to search the items.

Only the dog's official handler may determine what constitutes an alert by the dog. If the dog alerts on a particular item, the student who has used that item or has responsibility for it must be called to witness the inspection.

Documentation

District administrator conducting a student search will complete documentation of such search.