

General Institution

AP 3530 WEAPONS ON CAMPUS**Reference:**

Penal Code Sections 626.9 and 626.10

Except as set forth below, firearms, knives, explosives, or other dangerous objects, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife, or explosive, are prohibited on all District property. The prohibition of firearms on any District campus, District center, or in any District facility includes both loaded and unloaded firearms, and applies to persons holding a valid license to carry a concealed firearm.

Activities involving firearms or other weapons conducted under the direction of District officials or as authorized by an official law enforcement agency shall be reported to the District Police before taking place.

Any person who believes that he/she/they may properly possess a firearm or other weapon on campus or in a District center or other facility of the District must promptly notify the Superintendent/President or designee, and obtain written permission from the Superintendent/President or designee, to possess a firearm or other weapon on campus.

Pursuant to Penal Code § 626.9(h), individuals may not possess a firearm on campus without the written approval of the Superintendent/President or designee even if in possession of a valid permit to carry a concealed weapon, with the following exceptions:

- The weapon is possessed by a peace officer carrying out official duties
- The weapon is possessed by an honorably retired peace officer authorized to carry a concealed weapon
- The weapon is possessed by an authorized security guard

Bringing or possessing any dirk, dagger, ice pick, or knife having a fixed blade longer than 2 1/2 inches upon District property, unless the person is authorized to possess such a weapon in the course of his/her/their employment, has been authorized by the Superintendent/President or designee to have the knife, or is a duly appointed peace officer, who is engaged in the performance of his/her/their duties, is prohibited on any District campus or at any District Center, or in any facility of the District. Any student or employee who the Superintendent/President or designee has authorized to have a knife, including kitchen knives, must exercise caution in using and storing the knife.

Office of Primary Responsibility: Finance and Operations

Date Approved: February 17, 2009

Date Reviewed/Revised: May 21, 2013; November 17, 2015; December 5, 2017; May 16, 2023

Date Revised: February 18, 2025