

	MURFREESBORO CITY SCHOOL BOARD POLICY		
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In order to ensure safe and secure learning environments free of drugs, violence, and firearms, it is necessary to impose swift, certain, and severe disciplinary sanctions on any student who violates certain standards regarding drugs and violence.

The following offenses will not be tolerated:

FIREARMS (as defined in 18 U.S.C. 921)

In accordance with state law, any student who brings or possesses a firearm on school property shall be expelled for a period of not less than one (1) calendar year. The Director of Schools shall have the authority to modify this expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis.

DRUGS

In accordance with state law, any student who unlawfully possesses any drug, including any controlled substance or legend drug, shall be expelled for a period of not less than one (1) calendar year. The Director of Schools shall have the authority to modify this expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis.

BATTERY

In accordance with state law, any student who commits battery upon any teacher, principal, administrator, any other employee of the school, or school resource officer shall be expelled for a period of not less than one (1) calendar year. The Director of Schools shall have the authority to modify this expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis.

NOTIFICATION

When it is determined that a student has violated this policy, the principal of the school shall notify the student's parent or guardian and the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system as required by law.

Legal References:

- 18 U.S.C. 921
- 20 U.S.C. 8921; T.C.A. 49-6-4216(b); T.C.A. 49-6-3401(g)
- T.C.A. 49-6-3401(g); T.C.A. 49-6-3401(g); T.C.A. 49-6-4216(b)
- T.C.A. 49-6-4209; T.C.A. 39-17-1312