

STAFF WEAPONS IN SCHOOL

No one may possess or use any firearm or any weapon, as defined in Policy JFCD Weapons in School, on school property (including school vehicles), on that portion of any property open to the public and then exclusively used for school-sponsored functions or extracurricular activities while such functions or activities are taking place or on any school bus without authorization of the superintendent or superintendent's designee.

Violation of this policy by an employee will result in appropriate personnel action up to and including dismissal.

Illegal conduct will be reported to law enforcement officials.

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Legal Refs: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 18.2-308.1, 22.1-78, 22.1-279.3:1, 22.1-280.2:1.

8 VAC 20-560-10.

Cross Refs.: CLA Reporting Acts of Violence and Substance Abuse  
JFCD Weapons in School  
KGB Public Conduct on School Property

## PERSONNEL

Firearms

Employees of the school board may not carry firearms of any kind on school premises.

The provisions of this regulation shall not apply to persons who carry such weapon or weapons as a part of the curriculum or other programs sponsored by the school or any organization permitted by the school board to use its premises.

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Regulatory Authority: (1992) Amendments to § 18.2-308.1 are shown in italics within the text.

Code of Va., § 18.2-308.1. Possession of firearm, stun weapon, or other weapon on school property prohibited.--"If any person has in his possession any (i) stun weapon or taser as defined in this section, or (ii) weapon, other than a firearm, designated in subsection A of S 18.2-308 upon (i) the property of any public, private or parochial elementary, middle or high school, including buildings and grounds, (ii) that portion of any property open to the public used for school-sponsored functions or extracurricular activities while such functions or activities are taking place, or (iii) any school bus owned or operated by any such school, he shall be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor. *If any person has in his possession any firearm designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind while such person is upon (i) any public, private or parochial elementary, middle or high school, including buildings and grounds, (ii) that portion of any property open to the public used for school-sponsored functions, or extracurricular activities while such functions or activities are taking place, or (iii) any school bus owned or operated by any such school, he shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony.*

The exemptions set out in § 18.2-308 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the provisions of this section. The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons who possess such weapon or weapons as a part of the curriculum or other programs sponsored by the school or any organization permitted by the school to use its premises or to any law-enforcement officer while engaged in his duties as such. *In addition, this section shall not apply to possession of an unloaded firearm which is in a closed container or an unloaded shotgun or rifle in a firearms rack in or upon a motor vehicle.*

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Firearms

Regulatory Authority: (continued)

As used in this section:

"Stun weapons" means any mechanism that is (i) designed to emit an electronic, magnetic, or other type of charge that exceeds the equivalency of a five milliamp sixty hertz shock and (ii) used for the purpose of temporarily incapacitating a person; and

"Taser" means any mechanism that is (i) designed to emit an electronic, magnetic, or other type of charge or shock through the use of a projectile and (ii) used for the purpose of temporarily incapacitating a person.

1. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.”