

SCHOOL SEARCHES

Policy

All administrators may search or authorize the search of lockers and other school property available for use by students for the presence of weapons, contraband or the fruits of a crime if:

- A. The search is justified at its inception; and
- B. The search, as actually conducted, is reasonably related in scope to the circumstances which justified it in the first place.

Justified at its inception means there are reasonable grounds for suspecting that the search will turn up evidence that the student has violated or is violating either the law or the rules of the school.

Reasonably related in scope means that the measures adopted are reasonably related to the objectives of the search and not excessively intrusive in light of the age and sex of the student and the nature of the infraction.

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