## Sacred Heart Catholic School Boone, Iowa

## **Weapons**

Sacred Heart School believes weapons and other dangerous objects and look-a-likes in Sacred Heart School facilities cause material and substantial disruption to the school environment or present a threat to the health and safety of students, employees and visitors on Sacred Heart School premises or property within the jurisdiction of Sacred Heart School.

Sacred Heart School facilities are not an appropriate place for weapons or dangerous objects and look-a-likes. Weapons and other dangerous objects and look-a-likes shall be taken from student and others who bring them onto Sacred Heart School property or onto property within the jurisdiction of Sacred Heart School or from students who are within the control of the District.

Parents/guardians of students found to possess weapons or dangerous objects or look-a-likes on school property shall be notified of the incident. Confiscation of weapons or dangerous objects shall be reported to the law enforcement officials, and students will be subject to disciplinary action including suspension or expulsion.

A student who brings (or knowingly possesses) a firearm to school or any school sponsored activity shall be expelled for at least 12 months unless the principal determines a lesser expulsion penalty is warranted based on the facts of the particular case.

Weapons under the control of law enforcement officials shall be exempt from this policy. The principal may allow authorized persons to display weapons or other dangerous objects or look-a-likes for educational purposes. Such display shall also be exempt from this policy.

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