POST FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 273

Series 500: Student Policy: Conduct/Discipline

Policy No. 504.6

Policy Title: Sweep, Search and Seizure

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The school district's need to maintain discipline and an appropriate environment for education may require sweeps, searches and/or seizures of persons or property. Seizures may include, but are not limited to, drugs, alcohol, weapons or unauthorized materials.

The school retains control over student lockers and desks, maintains duplicate or master keys for all lockers, and reserves the right to conduct inspections at any time, without prior notice or consent and without a search warrant.

Public areas including, but not limited to, restrooms and lockers will be subject to unannounced searches, and students should consider such areas public rather than private. Sweeps in public areas do not require reasonable suspicion to be conducted and include the use of trained detection dogs. A sweep may result in reasonable suspicion to conduct a search.

Students are permitted to park their automobiles, motorcycles or other vehicles on school premises as a matter of privilege, not of right. The school retains the right to conduct routine sweeps, patrols and inspections of school property and premises, parking lots and exteriors of vehicles on school premises. The interiors of vehicles on school property may be inspected whenever an authorized school official has reasonable cause to believe that unauthorized materials are contained inside. Such patrols and inspections may be conducted without notice, without consent and without a search warrant.

Legal References: IC '' 33-512, 33-210, 20 U.S.C. 3171 et seq.

Applicable Procedural Regulations: 504.6a

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