

**EASTERN
WESTMORELAND
CAREER &
TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

SECTION: PUPILS
TITLE: WEAPONS
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218.1. WEAPONS	
1. Purpose	The Joint Operating Committee recognizes the importance of a safe school environment relative to the educational process. Possession of weapons in the school setting is a threat to the safety of students and staff and is prohibited by law.
2. Definitions SC 1301-A, 1317.2	<p>Weapon - the term shall include but not be limited to any knife, cutting instrument, cutting tool, nunchaku, firearm, shotgun, rifle, replica of a weapon, and any other tool, instrument or implement capable of inflicting serious bodily injury.</p> <p>Possession - a student is in possession of a weapon when the weapon is found on the person of the student, in the student's locker, under the student's control while on center property, on property being used by the center, at any center function or activity, at any center event held away from the center, or while the student is coming to or from the center.</p>
3. Authority SC 1317.2, 1850.1 Pol. 218	The Joint Operating Committee prohibits students from possessing and bringing weapons and replicas of weapons into any center buildings, onto center property, to any center-sponsored activity, and onto any vehicle providing transportation to the center or a center-sponsored activity, or while the student is coming to or from the center.
SC 1317.2 Pol. 233	The sending school in coordination with EWCTC shall expel for a period of not less than one (1) year any student who violates this weapons policy. Such expulsion shall be given in conformance with formal due process proceedings required by law. The Superintendent of the sending school may recommend modifications of such expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis.
4. Guidelines SC 1302.1-A, 1303-A, 1317.2 Title 22 Sec. 10.2, 10.21 Pol. 805.1	The Administrative Director or designee shall immediately report incidents involving weapons on center property, at any center-sponsored activity or on a conveyance providing transportation to or from the center or a center-sponsored activity to the local police department that has jurisdiction over the center's property, in accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with local law enforcement and Joint Operating Committee policies.

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<p>Title 22 Sec. 10.2, 10.25 Pol. 805.1</p> <p>SC 1303-A, Pol. 805.1</p>	<p>The Administrative Director or designee shall notify the parent/guardian of any student directly involved in an incident involving weapons as a victim or suspect as soon as practicable.</p> <p>In accordance with state law, the Administrative Director shall annually, by July 31, report all incidents involving weapons to the Office for Safe Schools on the required form.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1301-A, 1302.1-A, 1303-A, 1317.2</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 10.2, 10.21, 10.25, 403.1</p> <p>Possession of Weapon on School Property – 18 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 912</p> <p>Gun Control Act – 18 U.S.C. Sec. 921, 922</p> <p>No Child Left Behind Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7114</p> <p>Gun-Free Schools Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 7151</p> <p>Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations – 34 CFR Part 300</p> <p>Joint Operating Committee Policy – 103.1, 218, 233, 805, 805.1</p>
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