## 445.1-RULE GUIDELINES FOR LOCKER SEARCHES

1. Designated officials may, according to law and Board policy, have access to student lockers when evidence suggests that the welfare of students and other personnel may be threatened or other reasons as determined necessary or appropriate.
2. The decision to search shall be made by the principal or his/her delegate.
3. It is recommended that, insofar as possible, the student to whom the locker is assigned be present for an inspection. It is recommended that two members of the staff conduct inspections together, particularly when the student is not present.
4. Any items that are seized during a search by school authorities must be safeguarded until determination has been made by the appropriate authorities for disposition of the items.
a. Items that are seized may be held by the school for return to the adult student, or a parent/guardian of a minor student, who shall be informed of his/her right to obtain items.
b. If items that were seized involve a violation of the law, the suspect material shall be removed and turned over to law enforcement officials. The adult student, or a parent/guardian of a minor student, shall be notified of items that were removed and of the delivery thereof to law enforcement officials.
5. Discovery of illegal or dangerous materials shall be reported to the office of the superintendent.
6. After the search, each such participant in the search shall sign a dated register attesting to what they found.

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